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Drug users will not be given free gym access

DRUG users will not be given free use of Shropshire Council gyms and swimming pools, the authority's leader made clear this week.

Councillor Keith Barrow was speaking after a council report suggested the idea that former users of the drug GHB be given free use of council leisure facilities as part of their recovery.

And a report outlining controversial drug rehabilitation plans was withdrawn from a Shropshire Council meeting which was due to take place yesterday.

Members of the council's safe and confident communities scrutiny committee had been due to discuss a report from the authority's GHB/Synthetic Drugs Misuse Task and Finish Group at Shirehall.

"Some people had misunderstood the authority's intentions and thought people who misused drugs were getting 'free hand outs' for breaking the law," said Councillor Barrow.

"I want to be absolutely clear that we have never suggested giving free swimming and gym membership to people who are misusing drugs," he said.

Kammy will play again

SKY SPORTS celebrity pundit Chris Kamara has confirmed that he will turn out for Welshpool Town for a second time next week, with the satellite broadcaster's cameras following his every move once again.

Following the ex-professional's debut against Rhayader in January, Sky has confirmed that its love affair with the troubled club will continue next Wednesday when they host Newbridge-on-Wye.

"It really is incredible news for us all," said manager Dave Jones. "After the last game, Chris sent me a text saying how much he enjoyed the day."

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ARSON ATTACKS SUSPECT QUIZZED

DETECTIVES are questioning a 32-year-old Oswestry man in connection with a spate of arson attacks in the town.

Police say the suspect has been arrested and is currently being quizzed about three fires. The fires were reported at an empty house in Middleton Road on February 28, at the Zion fitness centre in Coney Green the following day and at the Cambrian Visitor Centre in Oswald Road on March 6.

The arson attacks led to police stepping up patrols in the area amid fears the fires could lead to serious injury or a fatality.

The fire at the Cambrian Railway gutted an empty signal box while the Middleton Road blaze severely damaged a house.

Firefighters gave out hundreds of arson alert flyers in the wake of the fires, warning people to be on the look-out for suspicious behaviour.

Fire chiefs urged people in the arson-hit area to stay vigilant.

Derek Taylor, fire crime officer with Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service, revealed the last incident was on March 10 when a shed and a wheelie bin was set alight in Hawthorne Grove at about 8pm.

Mr Taylor said although there had been no recent attacks in the town he was still working to encourage people to stay alert.

"We are continuing to work with the police and other partners to heighten awareness.

Aware

"The police are patrolling in the area and keeping an eye on it. We are not trying to get people worried, we are making people aware of what is going on."

"We want people to be aware that if they leave their wheelie bins out overnight too close to the property it could be a target."

Anyone who has information about any of the incidents is asked to contact Oswestry police by calling 101.

Information can also be given to the Crimestoppers charity line by calling anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Town police inspector Jim Stafford warned that setting fire to properties could lead to 'tragic consequences' because the arsonist could not be certain that the premises were empty.

Inspector Stafford said: "The message must be that, regardless of whatever the intention is of the people starting these fires, setting fire to what they think are empty properties does have serious consequences and, as often is the case, can have tragic consequences."

Setting fire to property not only increases the chance of serious damage being caused, but also of serious injury or worse. They can cause a risk to life."

The HGV driver is not thought to have been hurt.

Anyone with details should call Newtown Police Station on 0845 3302 000.

Torch shines on Adele



WELSHPOOL schoolgirl Adele Nicoll has been chosen to carry the Olympic Flame through her home town. The 15-year-old athlete this week expressed her delight at being selected as one of three runners carrying the torch through Welshpool. "It's amazing to be selected because thousands were nominated and I can't really believe this is happening. It's a fantastic honour," she said. Local torchbearers were also named for the Oswestry area spectacle on May 30. • Torch - Turn to Page 3.

Families housing hard-up offspring

A HOUSING expert claims Oswestry is witnessing the greatest change in the property market for years with young people forced to stay with their parents.

Stephen Powell, a director of Halls and manager of the company's Oswestry estate agency office said young people could not afford mortgages and were being forced to stay at home.

He said more and more parents have grown up children still living at home. "I speak to people in their 50s and 60s who still have their children, in their 20s and even 30s living with them."

"Recently I went to see a family who had their son, daughter-in-law and their two children, living with them," he said.

"With the recession biting, mortgages becoming harder to get and the growing uncertainty in the jobs market, the nature of family living in the Oswestry area is changing."

"Not since the great depression of the 1930s have so many children turned to their parents for an economic lifeline," he said.

One-way call by traders

TRADERS IN Welshpool have called on the town council to back their demands for changes to the town's controversial one-way system.

The Welshpool Projects Business Forum this week asked the council to take up their protests and press the Welsh Assembly Government to make major changes to the system.

Members claim that the one-way system has damaged business and is keeping people away from the town.

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Building society thief facing a jail sentence

by Lisa Rowley

A FORMER Oswestry building society manager faces jail after being convicted of stealing thousands of pounds from a 97-year-old customer.

Rebecca Entwistle had denied stealing £13,390 belonging to Mercy Williams when she worked at the Nationwide Building Society in Oswestry. But the 26-year-old was found guilty by a jury at Shrewsbury Crown Court on Friday.

Entwistle, of College Road, Oswestry, had also denied stealing £500 from retired accountant John Bartley and £200 from his wife, Carolyn. The offences were all said to have happened between May 2009 and January 2010.

The jury failed to reach a verdict on the thefts from the Bartleys, and those two charges were ordered to lie on the file.

Review

The case was adjourned for a pre-sentence report until today, Thursday, by Judge Robin Onions who told her she would face jail. She was granted bail.

Judge Onions also said he hoped Nationwide would carry out a review of its procedures.

Mr Phillip Beardwell, prosecuting, said Mercy Williams, as well as the Bartleys, had been reimbursed by the building society.

The court had heard the Bartleys were customers at the Wrexham branch of the building society while Eleanor Jones, the niece of Mercy Williams, used the branch in Oswestry to deal with the finances of her aunt, who will be 100 this year.

Entwistle, who claimed she sometimes left her computer logged on and gave colleagues her password, told police she could not explain the withdrawals from the accounts.

Word festival is a success



Writer John Waine from Oswestry, leaves a book in a plant pot as part the Oswestry Festival Of The Word book crossing event.

MORE THAN 1,250 people attended the Oswestry Festival of the Word which ended on Tuesday amid huge praise.

Festival director, John Waine, said the 10 day event had exceeded all expectations, bringing some of the very best poets, authors and performers to the town.

"I would like to offer my heartfelt gratitude and thanks to the festival team who have worked so very hard to promote the festival and organise it in such a profes-

sional manner. It has been a worthy tribute to Oswestry and has set a high standard," he said.

The festival saw 18 events over 10 days across nine venues in the town. Children and young people were heavily involved with 10 schools, secondary and primary taking part and 170 entries from youngsters to a Chitty Chitty Bang Bang competition.

It was the third Festival of the Word to be held in the town.

NEWS

in brief

Road delays as traffic lights fail

MOTORISTS faced rush hour delays between Welshpool and Oswestry on Wednesday morning after a set of temporary traffic lights failed.

Queues more than a mile long began to build in both directions at the traffic lights in Pool Quay, near Welshpool, at about 7.30am after the lights got stuck on red.

The lights are in place due to road works and are one of several sets that have appeared on the road in the past two weeks. Workmen arrived on the scene shortly after 8am and the lights manually before fixing them.

Road speed limit cut is welcomed

COUNCILLORS have welcomed plans to cut the speed limit at an accident blackspot on the A483 Oswestry bypass.

Proposals to create a 50mph speed limit at the Maesbury Road junction were supported by members of Oswestry Town Council on Monday.

Bosses at Amey, the organisation which manages and maintains trunk roads in the Midlands, propose to reduce the limit by 10mph.

The decision comes after the organisation carried out a review of the number of crashes at the junction.

Driver in court over train crash

A 35-YEAR-OLD man has appeared in court following a collision between a van and train at a level crossing in Powys.

Daniel Bellis, of Oswestry, is accused of endangering safety on the railway without intent and dangerous driving at a crossing near Carno, Newtown. He appeared at Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday. His case was adjourned until May 8 for committal.

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NEWS**Rail track route may become a cycle way**

PLANS HAVE been unveiled to transform a former railway line through Oswestry into a cycle path.

The line runs from Gobowen to Oswestry with a large proportion of it going through Whittington.

Resident Nigel Thomas, from Gobowen, has written to Whittington Parish Council to see if it is able to offer support in helping to convert the three-mile track into a path for cyclists to use to travel to work.

Mr Thomas believes it would benefit cyclists as it would allow them to avoid dangerous and busy roads. He also thinks it may encourage more people to find healthier ways of getting to work.

He said the idea was in its infancy and he was currently putting out feelers to find out what support there was for such an idea.

"It was my own idea and at the moment I am just putting out feelers. It is at the very early stages. The idea is to have a cycle route or some sort of path for wheelchair users."

He said Shropshire Council currently had a £5 million sustainable transport budget for the whole county and wondered if this could help fund his idea.

Nursery open day raises £215

AN OPEN day at Hall Farm Nursery, Kinnerley, near Oswestry raised £215 for Shrewsbury's Severn Hospice.

The cash was raised after home-made refreshments were served to visitors at the event on Sunday. Organisers Christine and Nick Ffoulkes-Jones thanked everyone who supported the day.

Torchbearers' delight over chance to carry the Flame

by Graham Breeze

TORCHBEARERS from the Oswestry and Welshpool areas this week expressed their delight at being invited to carry the Olympic Flame.

Names were announced by LOCOG, the organisation behind the London 2012 Olympics, which is taking the Torch around the UK on an 8,000-mile route.

It will visit Shropshire and parts of Mid Wales giving residents a once in a lifetime opportunity to witness the spectacle of the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay when the historic flame passes through the streets of Oswestry, Llanymynech and Welshpool on May 30.

It is hoped that residents will line the streets to share in the excitement whilst also celebrating the achievements of the inspirational torchbearers.

Talented 15-year-old Welshpool athlete Adele Nicoll will carry the flame through Welshpool. She is ranked first in Welsh Under-15 1kg discus and the 3.25 shot. She is also ranked first in the Welsh Under-17 4kg shot and ranked second in the discus.

Last week she won silver in the World Indoor Throwing Challenge shot competition and bronze in the discus in Sweden.

"It's amazing to be selected because thousands were nominated and I can't really believe this is happening. It's a fantastic honour," she said.

Inspiring

Linda Arthan, 57, of St Martins, near Oswestry, is a supply teacher at The Marches School in Oswestry, where she will carry the torch, and has previously represented Great Britain in the triathlon and taken part in two marathons.

She has worked with young people, inspiring them to take part in sport, and also raised about £2,000 for Gobowen's orthopaedic hospital's spinal injury unit.

She said: "It is just ace, it is totally perfect. I am very lucky."

Special Olympics gold medallist Briony Johnson, 21, from Oswestry, is a badminton player and a member of the North Shropshire Special Olympics club who will carry the torch in Wales on May 27.

Val Hanover, 67, from Oswestry, will carry the torch in Shrewsbury. She is the chairman of the North Shropshire Special Olympics which provides sporting activities for people with learning difficulties.

Ian Watkins, 35, from Oswestry, will also carry the torch.

He is a member of Oswestry Olympians who set up a running group in Ellesmere and is involved in football.

Plea after fire hits bungalow

A FIRE IN the roof space of a bungalow near Oswestry probably spread from a blaze in the chimney breast, firefighters have said.

A couple planting bulbs in their garden noticed smoke coming through the roof of their home at Haughton near West Felton shortly before 3pm on Tuesday.

And officials at Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service today urged homeowners to ensure their chimneys were swept regularly.

Fire crews from Baschurch, Oswestry and Ellesmere and the aerial ladder from Shrewsbury went to the scene. Neil Groves, fire officer in charge, said tiles were taken off the roof to deal with the blaze.

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**'Can-ny' way of school recycling**

Taking a look at the sculpture are Euan Graham, 10, and Emily Hughes, nine.

A VERY strange tree has sprouted up in a classroom in a school near Oswestry - made entirely out of drink cans.

The sculpture grew from an arts workshop held at Carreghofa Primary School at Llanymynech, based on recycling.

Pupils from years five and six at the school spent two days working with artist Ingrid Maughan from the Arts Connection organisation based at Llanfyllin.

They learned about the importance of recycling and decided to make a sculpture of a flowering tree.

The children used cans, many from the Cae Post recycling initiative, both whole and cut into different parts. Tops and bottoms were strung on metal wire and some pieces were even cut and hammered into shape.

One of the youngsters, James Chapman, 11, said the project had been great fun.

NEWS**in brief****Unique monorail collection at show**

A UNIQUE monorail collection will be one of the stars of this year's vintage vehicle, and machinery rally and craft show at the Park Hall Showground.

The British heritage monorail collection is being restored by volunteers near Oswestry.

The Clwyd Veteran and Vintage Machinery Society will stage the first public running of some of the collection's rolling stock during the rally and craft show on June 16 and 17.

The Richard Morris collection, which includes a complete industrial monorail system, a monorail steam engine with carriages and narrow gauge fun engines, was recently moved from North Wales to the Oswestry area. It is being looked after by The Oswestry Machine Rail Project.

Have your say on future plans

RESIDENTS and organisations in Powys will be given the chance next week to have their say on county developments.

Powys County Council will be consulting on its preferred strategy for the Powys Local Development Plan.

The six-week consultation started on Monday and will end on April 30. The authority has also arranged six exhibitions with one at Llanfyllin Institute tomorrow between 2pm and 8pm.

Power cut hits 1,000 homes

A POWER cut left up to 1,000 homes in Welshpool without electricity on Saturday night.

Residents reported the problem at 8pm. Energy supplier Scottish Power said the fault was thought to have been caused by underground power cable damage. Most homes were switched back on within an hour.

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NEWS

Blockbuster cinema opening date to be delayed for weeks

PLANS TO bring a cinema to Oswestry showing blockbuster films and live productions have been delayed.

Oswestry film screening company KinoKulture was awarded more than £45,000 from the town council's Market Town Revitalisation programme for ambitious plans to bring top movies to the area.

Bosses hoped to set up the cinema inside the Attfield Theatre, in the Guildhall, by next month.

by Graham Breeze

Group trading stays on target

TRADING AT agricultural and retail group Wynnstay remains on target to meet its first half budgets, the company's management said this week.

The Llanstanffraid-based group, which also has stores in six locations around Shropshire, saw its fertiliser sales improve after farmers held back orders in November and December in the hope of prices decreasing.

Group revenues are expected to be higher than expected after anticipated levels of agricultural commodity price deflation did not materialise.

Feed sales are higher than in 2010 and demand for poultry feed has further increased.

The Group's specialist retail division performed well, with Wynnstay Stores enjoying spend from its farming customers, and its Just for Pets stores continuing to expand, opening a 20th pet store last month.

But the company is still going through a tendering process to get official quotes. It has not yet heard back from all the relevant parties which means it is unable to proceed.

The official launch date has now been set back to June.

Ruth Carter, from the company, said: "It is just the tendering that is taking a long time to come through."

"We need three different tenders and only two have got back to us.

Excited

"Although we were hoping to be ready for April it is more likely to be June. We have been getting excited to see this completed but these things take time."

KinoKulture says the project will see the screening of box-office films and recent releases, a Saturday morning film club for youngsters and classic movies for older people.

It also wants to screen productions from The National Theatre Live and Opera From the Met.

It is hoped the new cinema, alongside the theatre and the town museum, will help to transform the Guildhall into a 'vibrant cultural hub' within Oswestry.

Fundraisers get in a spin



IN action during the four-hour sponsored spinathon in aid of Severn Hospice at BodyTech in Oswestry are, left to right, Tracey Whitfield, Charlotte Evans and Samantha Davies. Picture: Simon Williams.

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NEWS**Vow jobs on homes project to be local**

A COMPANY behind plans to build 45 houses in Welshpool as part of a £5.6 million project has promised that 80 per cent of jobs created will be local.

Mid Wales Housing Association has launched the new development on land close to Red Bank, and has contracted S J Roberts Construction Ltd to carry out the work.

Janet George, spokeswoman for MWHA, said: "The contractor for the development has agreed to support local employment by ensuring 80 per cent of the labour force will be local. Hughes Architects, Newtown, have worked on the design of the homes."

She said: "The provision of affordable housing in Welshpool is a priority for Powys County Council and this is a major factor in the allocation of £1.7 million of social housing grant money from the Welsh Government to ensure that rents on the 22 'affordable' properties are kept below market prices."

Fun for Easter

CHILDREN aged three to nine years are invited to a special story and craft session for Easter on April 2.

'Peter Rabbit and Other Funny Bunnies' takes place at Oswestry Library at 2pm. Call 01691 677388.

6,000 music fans due at Osfest spectacular

ORGANISERS OF Osfest are expecting 6,000 revellers through the gates this summer.

Osfest will celebrate its third birthday over the Queen's Jubilee weekend, with top stars including Razorlight, Dappy and Hard-Fi heading for the Park Hall Showground near Oswestry for the event between June 1-4.

And this year it is also hosting the first Shropshire Proms, featuring the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra.

Carly Jackson, from Osfest, said the music festival was proud to be associated with the Shropshire Proms and said it would be wonderful to see a 50-piece orchestra on the main Osfest stage.

by Graham Breeze

Pupils create willow crafts

CHILDREN AT a primary school on the Shropshire/Mid Wales border have created crafts and objects from live willow.

Pupils at Brynhafen CP School in Crew Green created different designs and objects from willow purchased following a grant from an arts project in Llanfyllin.

The children spent an afternoon last week making arches and other items which will now continue to grow.

Dave Lambourne, acting headteacher, said the pupils had a "fantastic" time making the willow objects.

He said: "The willow project was a fabulous thing to do and the children and staff all had a fantastic time making objects with it."

Mr Lambourne added that the staff at Brynhafen School, along with the Friends of Brynhafen, are organising a fun day at the school to celebrate it's Golden Jubilee as well as a ceilidh dance to be held at Llanfadrinio Village Hall on April 28.

She said last year the festival attracted 4,500 people.

"This year we are aiming for 6,000 and we are confident we will hit that figure," she said.

"We want to get across the message that Osfest is not just for young people but for everyone who likes music."

We hope organisations from schools and colleges to factories and businesses get behind the festival and spread the word about us.

"This year festival-goers will even have an extra day off – the Tuesday Bank Holiday – to recover."

This year Osfest has also teamed up with Shropshire Council to launch The Shropshire Proms which council leader Keith Barrow revealed last night could become an annual event.

The Proms on June 1 will raise funds for Hope House Hospice and the Midlands Air Ambulance.

Speaking at the official Osfest launch in Oswestry, he said: "I am delighted that we have linked up with the Osfest team. Osfest is great for Oswestry and great for Shropshire."

"If the Shropshire Proms is a success, I hope it could become an annual event for the county."

Colourful designs



LOCAL artist Ann Easthope has put up an exhibition of her work at Oswestry Visitor and Exhibition Centre. Taking a look at her colourful floral designs was Carol Roberts from the centre.

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NEWS**NEWS**
in brief**Ironworks date
for UK blues trio**

A BRITISH blues trio which has toured with Brit award-winning artist James Morrison is coming to Shropshire.

The Martin Harley Band will be playing at Oswestry's Ironworks, in Church Street, on April 29.

The band is being brought to the county by Worlds Biggest Events which recently invited Rich Robinson, from American band The Black Crowes, to the venue.

Tickets are available from The Ironworks by visiting www.seetickets.com

**Charity bag pack
to be held in town**

FUNDRAISERS are looking for people to help in a charity bag pack in Oswestry.

The Marie Curie Cancer Care fundraiser will take place at Marks and Spencer and volunteers are needed.

Spokesman Fran Robinson said: "We are desperately in need of a few kind people on April 4, 5 and 7 to fill some of the slots and Judy Breeze would be delighted to hear from you on (01691) 671549."

Challenge set

WEST Felton School is holding an Easter challenge on Saturday in the grounds of Prudox Estate from noon to 3.15pm. Call 01691 610972 for details.

Hundreds send in eggs after hospice makes Easter plea

FEARS THAT youngsters from Hope House Children's Hospice would have to go without Easter eggs this year have been quashed thanks to kind-hearted people sending hundreds of donations.

At the start of this month staff from hospice in Morda, began to worry when they discovered they had only been given a promise of about 30 eggs for the children.

The charity normally gets hundreds in the run up to Easter but feared the current economic climate had stopped donations.

So they issued a plea for help and within about two weeks they have received a promise of nearly 1,000 eggs.

Staff like to give the chocolate to the youngsters for the festive season and also to their siblings.

Vanessa Thomas, fundraising manager, said: "We will probably have about 1,000 Easter eggs now and have some spare to send to the children in the North Wales hospice.

Running

"We were worried at first but now there will be no child, brother or sister going without this Easter. We want to say a big thank you to everyone who has helped."

"We don't need any more eggs now so if people want to make a donation they can send money to help keep the hospice running. We have as much chocolate as we need now."

Generous donations include £500 from TRS Personnel in Telford and a £100 cheque for eggs given by Admaston Spar.

Staff at the hospice will be travelling the country on April to collect the eggs.

by Graham Breeze

Disabled worker fears for future

A DISABLED man from Oswestry said he feared he would struggle to get another job if the Remploy factory he has worked at for almost 12 years closes.

Tom Shackell, 34, who has worked at the furniture making factory in Wrexham for more than a decade, joined a march at the weekend to protest over cuts.

The factory faces closure after the Government decided to reduce funding which helps disabled people into work.

But Mr Shackell says he has no idea how he will find work if Remploy shuts.

"I suppose I will have to sign on and look for something, but it will be very difficult," he said.

He said the factory employed 40 people with disabilities. It is one of 36 Remploy factories across the country earmarked for closure.

"It will be very difficult for Remploy to pay us if they don't get the money from the Government so we are marching through Wrexham town centre."

A spokesman for the organisation said: "The Remploy Board has proposed a series of significant changes to its operations as a result of the Government decision to reduce current funding for Remploy."

Village auction boosts appeal

A VILLAGE fundraiser on the Shropshire border has helped raise more than £5,000.

Llangynog residents want to raise about £70,000 to enlarge its well-used village hall and held an auction to collect funds.

Organisers collected items for 60 lots at the event which included a week's holiday accommodation in Malta, 400 litres of heating oil from James Pickstock, a day's beekeeping, a day for two mountain biking at Llangynog's Revolution Bike Park, a day with Mick Extance Off-Road Experience on a motorbike and half a day activity with ProAdventures.

Oswestry Station, in Oswald Road, will be open on April 1 for people to have a ride on the diesel engine. Mike Rowe, a volunteer at the railway, said: "We are looking forward to starting again this season. We would like to see as many people as possible coming to visit."

When the season starts again there are a number of activities planned including a heritage diesel display in the railways' car park.

Volunteers also run a site in Llynclwyd, near Oswestry, and will be holding a special Easter event. This will take place on April 8 and the first train will leave the platform at 11am.

There will also be an Easter egg hunt and magic shows. For more information call 07527107592.

All aboard for the new season



With station master, fireman and trustee Mike Rowe were some German visitors Jurgen and Monika Pollwein, from Munich.

TRAIN enthusiasts in Shropshire are being urged to take a ride aboard a diesel engine when it arrives in Oswestry for the spring season.

Volunteers from Cambrian Railways are preparing to open their latest attraction next month.

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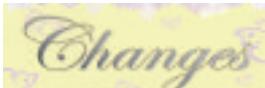
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COMMENT

Mobile phones can be killers as well as lifesavers

BREEZE ABOUT TOWN

With Graham Breeze



MOBILE PHONE users are driving me crazy with inappropriate use of this modern technology.

On Sunday I could have screamed when driving along the Welshpool to Oswestry road close to the Shrewsbury junction at Arddle where only a couple of months ago a youngster died in a cycling accident.

Coming towards me and wobbling all over the carriageway was a young cyclist, blissfully unaware of the row of traffic behind him as he chatted on his mobile.

He was clearly a local boy as he was certainly not equipped for a long cycling trip – utterly stupid! It's time parents started to lay down the law on mobile use.

In the same week a young girl was seen blindly crossing the street in front of traffic in Oswestry – tapping out a message and bringing motorists to a halt.

In Welshpool I saw a juggernaut forced to mount the pavement to avoid an oncoming lorry on Salop Road. The young phone user

chatting away as she walked in front is probably to this day still unaware of the massive vehicle that was only yards behind her.

Then on Oswestry's most dangerous junction at Maesbury Road I saw a young lady motorist balancing a mobile on her shoulder, attending to her make-up in the vanity mirror and negotiating the staggered turning at the same time.

Now few of us can claim to have never used a mobile whilst on the move but this is absolute madness.

WHAT REALLY annoyed me this week was news released by Powys and Ceredigion County Council that a contract to process the region's waste food has been given to an Oxford company.

It's commendable that the councils have made the decision to use anaerobic digestion to treat the waste but wasn't there the opportunity to create employment by awarding the contract locally?

Now huge lorries will trundle across the country from Mid Wales to Oxford with our waste doing absolutely nothing for the council's carbon footprint reduction scheme.

WHAT PLEASED me was the decision by members of the Welshpool business community to take action about the town's one-way system.

Members of Welshpool Project Business Forum voted to call on Welshpool Town Council to back their proposal for changes to the system which they claim is wrecking

their trade. The traders want major changes to the system, including the return of Brook Street from St Mary's Church to The Raven roundabout as a two-way system and a new road linking the bypass following the route of the Lledian Brook.

The proposal will now go before the full Town Council and with elections on the horizon will really stir things up. The Project Group has very little clout as an organisation but the Town Council does have the ability to make noises in the right corridors.

THE OLYMPICS are getting closer and no less than five people from the Oswestry and Welshpool areas have been named to carry the Olympic torch through the region.

Young athlete Adele Nicoll will be the torchbearer through Welshpool. This is fantastic news for the 15-year-old who returned from Sweden with silver and bronze medals from the World Junior Games last week – competing against athletes two years older.

Forgotten writer's town home marked by plaque

by Sue Austin

SHROPSHIRE'S famous writers include Wilfred Owen, AE Housman and Mary Webb – but author Barbara Pym of Oswestry is something of a forgotten figure in her home county.

Miss Pym has a huge following in America where her books are acclaimed by critics. She wrote a series of novels such as Some Tame Gazelle, Less Than Angels and A Glass of Blessings during the 1950s and 1960s, when she was regarded as one of the most under-rated writers of her time.

But now a plaque has been set up at her birthplace in Willow Street in Oswestry as a lasting memorial to her after years of campaigning by enthusiasts. It was unveiled by crime writer Kate Charles, a former chairman of the Barbara Pym Society.

It is hoped the memorial will give momentum to fresh interest in Pym's work and attract tourists from across the Atlantic to Oswestry.

Occupied

Barbara Pym was born at 72 Willow Street, the house once occupied by the Pym family. It was demolished in the 1960s as part of a clearance which later provided a site for the Willowgate flats.

Her father, Frederic Pym, had a solicitor's practice across the road in Willow Street where his brass plate 'Crampton Pym and Lewis' still hangs.

She wrote her first novel Some Tame Gazelle, when she was 22 years old. She had a long break from writing between 1963 and 1977 but interest in her work was revived when two prominent writers, Lord David Cecil and Philip Larkin, nominated her as 'the most underrated writer of the 20th century' in the times Literary Supplement. She died after a battle with breast cancer in 1980 aged 66.



Crime writer Kate Charles unveils a plaque to commemorate the birthplace of novelist Barbara Pym at 72 Willow Street in Oswestry.

Miss Charles said that with the current interest in the 1950s and retro, the novelist's books had now been republished.

She said: "She is my favourite writer of all time. She has a real insight into life – life that she observed in a provincial town like Oswestry. Her work is believable and funny."

Councillor Saffron Rainey from Oswestry Civic Society praised Father Lawrence Garner for his perseverance and energy in campaigning for the plaque which has been funded by Oswestry's Local Joint Committee and the Barbara Pym Society.



Novelist Barbara Pym.

Some facts about Barbara

- Born in Oswestry on June 2, 1913.
- Lived in Morda until 1945.
- Studied English at St Hilda's, Oxford.
- First novel was Some Tame Gazelle.
- Other novels include Less Than Angels, A Glass of Blessings, Excellent Women and The Sweet Dove Died.
- Her career as a novelist waned in the 1960s and many books went unpublished.
- It was revived in 1977 when Lord David Cecil and Philip Larkin nominated her as the most underrated writer of the century.
- Quartet in Autumn nominated for the Booker Prize in 1977.
- Elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.
- Died of breast cancer aged 66 in 1980.

"Oswestry has not one but two great writers and we now have plaques commemorating both Wilfred Owen and Barbara Pym," he said.

"Barbara Pym has a huge following in America and now American visitors can visit the site of her birthplace in Oswestry."

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A: Employers have a legal responsibility to protect employees (and contractors and visitors) from accidents and injuries on their premises, and to provide employees with the necessary tools to do their jobs and maintain them in a safe condition. Your desk chair was a necessary tool for your job as a typist.

Your employer should have carried out a risk assessment of the chair when you first complained about it and then taken measures to put the problem right. This is standard health and safety procedure. It would seem therefore that your employer is in breach of a duty of care and that you have adequate grounds to bring a compensation claim against him or her for causing injury due to negligence.

An issue here may be that although the defective chair may have caused some back pain it may be difficult to attribute the collapsed disc to the chair. This would be a matter for expert medical evidence.

You should carefully document everything from when you first told your employer about the broken chair and collect together medical reports and receipts for visits to the doctor and hospital, together with other out-of-pocket expenses. As there are strict time limits in place to make any injury claim you should consult an experienced local personal injury lawyer as soon as possible.

Further information relating to this question is available from Nicholas Kerrigan, a Solicitor with GHP Legal. For information relating to any other legal matter please call GHP Legal on 01691 659194, visit www.ghplegal.co.uk or attend one of our FREE legal diagnostic clinics every Wednesday 12-5pm (no appointment necessary).



LETTERS & NEWS

College's courses bucking UK trend

AN OSWESTRY college is bucking the national trend by recording an increase in people seeking places on courses.

Walford and North Shropshire College's admissions team have notched up a five per cent increase in applications for courses starting this September.

Nationally, many colleges are reporting a drop in participation in part due to the reduction in learner support funding and phasing-out of Education Maintenance Allowances.

Andrew Tyley, college principal and chief executive, is delighted with the increase in applications. "We have worked really hard to get our marketing right this year, but I have no doubt our success is down to our excellent results last year and the encouraging satisfaction ratings we are getting back from our current students."

Programmes proving particularly attractive include A Levels, forensic science, uniformed services, sport, and agriculture.

Interest in animal care has been given a boost by the new courses being offered at Shipley near Bridgnorth.

Lucy Beaumont, the assistant director responsible for admissions, said more students were travelling from outside the catchment area.

Jazz star is to perform

A JAZZ clarinet player is coming to Oswestry to entertain the crowds and raise cash for charity.

Pete Allen will be performing traditional jazz at The Venue, in Park Hall, on April 26 from 7.30pm.

The event has been organised to help raise money for Cancer Research.

Sarah Barton, from The Venue, said: "We are excited about Pete Allen coming. He is well known all across Europe and to have him here is great."

Tickets cost £12 on (01691) 684840.

Come and sing

A COME and sing event is being held in Oswestry with St Oswald's Church hosting a rehearsal for Stainer's Crucifixion on April 1. It will take place at 3pm and all are welcome to just turn up and sing.

Where's the rest of pension rise?

WE HAVE heard a lot recently about the educational standards of our young people; they at least have the means and a few more years to rectify that amount.

What concerns me more is the educational standards of the Government ministers who are responsible for looking after and ensuring that our pensioners get what is rightly theirs.

The pension rate for a couple in 2011 was £209.70. The RPI in September

2011 was five per cent and we were assured pensions would rise by at least this amount.

By my calculation, five per cent of £209.70 equates to £2,097 x 5 or £10,488 therefore it would be reasonable to expect that the couple's pension would rise to £220.18.

According to the pension notification letter received by me it is actually £217.90, a rise of £8.20 which is 3.9 per cent. Now they start the massage: The

2011 savings credit threshold was £164.55.

The 2012 threshold has risen to £178.35 or an increase of 8.3 per cent with a resultant comparative loss in pension credit value.

This brings a couple's basic pension increase down to £6.11 or an actual increase of 2.65 per cent. Where's the other 2.35 per cent we were promised?

RD HUGHES
Oswestry



"THE new view along Castle Street as the terraced houses are cleared for a road widening scheme," said the original caption to this photo taken in Oswestry on March 12, 1986. The accompanying story began: "Houses along Oswestry's Castle Street are being demolished as part of a road widening plan by Shropshire County Council. The terrace houses in Castle Street, Sunny Bank and Prince Street have all been bought by the council..."

Why not go meat-free for March?

MARCH IS Animal Aid's meat-free month – why not give it a go?

Meat-free Monday has really taken off throughout the UK with colleges, schools, councils and even the House of Commons giving it a try.

Animal Aid has gone a step further and is encouraging people to go meat-free throughout the month of March and try delicious food that is healthy, kind to the environment and, of course, helps save animals' lives.

Most supermarkets have a wide range of meat-free meals and there are plenty of recipes allowing you to create your own yummy meat-free experience.

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Did countries learn nothing from past?

THE US and Europe have learned nothing from history, both still act like colonial powers by backing the Arab Spring.

The consequence is that the movement has been hijacked by militant Islam, resulting in more Christians being murdered for no reason other than following a different faith to the rest of the Muslim world.

Back home we have seen radical Islam take hold in inner cities throughout the land, and left-wing students have been very vocal in protesting. All of this can lead to a union of the two and before long we will have a British equivalent of the German Baader-Meinhof group; students bombing government buildings and taking hostages.

MARK NORWOOD
Oswestry

Expenses scandal has gone quiet

WHILE WATCHING THE Andrew Marr show on TV, I was listening to Harriet Harman talking about the police and newspapers and being corrupt, due to police being paid.

I thought 'what about the corrupt palace of Westminster and members dipping into tax funds', everything has gone very quiet on that.

Also on TV was a lively debate on Iran and Islamic power.

Is the USA going to use its dog of war, Israel, to carry out air strikes on Iran.

But why only Iran?

Why not India, Pakistan, China and a probable number of others?

What is the difference? All down to the evil of politics.

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Complex marking its first birthday

CELEBRATIONS WILL be held at an Oswestry business tomorrow marking the first anniversary of a new complex opening.

Staff and businesses at The Fort Offices, in Park Hall, are inviting Oswestry businesses to pop in for coffee and birthday cake.

Fort manager Vicki Bradbeer said: "We've commissioned a cake in the shape of a fort so we'll have plenty to share."

The building houses several businesses and regularly welcomes more through bookings for its conference room, meeting rooms and offices used for hot-desking by business people.

She said: "It's been a great year. We've still got a couple of offices to fill but we're confident that as businesses need to be increasingly flexible we will see companies coming in."

The Fort Offices are part of Artillery Business Park, and are set just few minutes out of Oswestry town centre.

Vicki added: "Our conference facilities are popular as we have plenty of free parking, green spaces and good IT networks, along with all the usual conference 'must-haves' such as an interactive whiteboard, projector and screen, and flip charts."

Art studio's open events

AN ART studio in Oswestry will be holding two open weekends later this year.

Borderland Visual Arts is planning its open studios events for June 9 and 10 and June 16 and 17.

The days will start at 10am and run until 5pm in venues across Oswestry. People will also get to discuss the work on show and buy the pieces of art on display.

For more information about the events call (01691) 654961.

Courses on offer

THE COLEG Powys full-time courses book for 2012/2013 is now available.

It provides details of the full-time courses that the college is offering in the next academic year.

The book will be of interest to anyone who is looking at studying full-time and, in particular, pupils in year 11.



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WELSHPOOL NEWS**NEWS**
in brief**Council rethink
over town plans**

WELSHPOOL Town Council will review the town's development plan following the May elections it was revealed this week.

The collapse of the plan to build shopping units on the Spar car park has prompted the council to have a rethink about the town's future, and residents will be consulted.

"I think it has been a case of too much, too soon," said town clerk Robert Robinson. "There will be a new council in place in May and one of their first jobs is to collectively review the town plan this summer."

**Club to arrange
two big days out**

MIDDLETOWN Border Club, near Welshpool, will be organising two coach trips this summer.

On June 13 there will be a trip to St Fagans Museum of Welsh Life and admission will be free.

The coach will cost between £12 and £16 per person depending on numbers.

On August 8 there is a trip to the National Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port.

For more details call Jane on (01938) 570484.

Dance fundraiser

A FUNDRAISING dance is being held for the Wales Air Ambulance 'Leap into Action' fund on April 21 at Berriew Community Centre from 7.30pm.

Earl escorts visitors on very special guided tour at castle

THE EIGHTH Earl of Powis has opened his doors to the public for an exclusive tour of his ancestral home at Welshpool.

More than a dozen visitors got a chance to look behind the closed doors of Powis Castle last Friday.

They also got the chance to find out more about ancestors who lived in the property – now owned by the National Trust – from as far back as 1587.

Alison Dyer, assistant visitor services manager at Powis Castle and Gardens, said:

by Graham Breeze

Ladies-only gym to open

A LADIES-ONLY gym will open at The Armoury on May 5 – the day the health and fitness centre will be holding a charity open day with a difference.

As work on revamping The Armoury continues, officials have confirmed that they will open the first ladies-only gym and unveil a new reception area.

"We have listened to what a lot of people have been telling us over the past year, and one of the main suggestions was the ladies-only gym," said manager Chris Greatorex.

"Some ladies feel more comfortable working out in a single-sex gymnasium so we have invested in creating this for them. It will be kitted out with the latest equipment and be open throughout the day and evening like the main gym."

The Armoury is hosting a charity open day with a difference on May 5 when anyone is invited to have a look around to try out the facilities and classes. There will be gym challenges during the afternoon.

"This was a rare honour that we were really excited about."

"To have a private tour of Powis Castle with the eighth Earl himself was a very special treat for anyone interested in history or who love to hear stories from one of the most fascinating families in Great Britain."

The castle and gardens opened for the 2012 season on March 1.

The gardens will be open from 11am to 4.30pm throughout March, with the castle opening an hour earlier than usual at noon.

Volunteers

She added that staff were also looking for more volunteers to get involved in helping at the castle.

She said: "Volunteering at Powis is about meeting new people and working right at the heart of an amazing castle and garden. There are roles to suit everyone."

"We're just looking for people who are friendly, welcoming and feel comfortable talking to visitors, and who have an interest in the trust or its work."

"Volunteers can do as little or as much as they want."

"We have roles to suit everybody," she added.

For details about volunteering contact Alison Dyer on (01938) 551929 or email alison.dyer@nationaltrust.org.uk



Lord Powis extends a welcome to Powis Castle.

Manager is needed to take on town pub

WELSHPOOL'S newest pub has launched its search for a manager or management couple who will be responsible for spearheading the recruitment of up to 30 new employees.

The Good Shepherd is rapidly taking shape opposite Tesco and is expected to be open in time for the summer, and Marston's, the chain behind the development, has revealed that it will be extending its popular two-for-the-price-of-one deal on all main meals and specials in the pub.

The job advert has appeared on www.jobsite.co.uk (<http://bit.ly/z1WOv6>) for a food pub manager/management couple.

The advert describes the Good Shepherd as a classic pub restaurant. Typically high volume, food led family friendly venue, with an extensive menu and large specials board, catering for a wide variety of tastes.

The owners are looking for an experienced industry professional expected to be used to the demands of recruiting, managing and developing a large team.

Marston's, which operates over 500 inns and taverns, is the country's largest builder of new pubs with another 135 opening over the next five years.

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Boundaries rethink call to save Montgomeryshire

by Graham Breeze

WITH Montgomeryshire set to disappear off the political map at the next election, the fight to save one of Britain's oldest shires is on.

Montgomeryshire MP Glyn Davies has led the calls for the boundaries commission to redraw its boundaries for the next election, after the constituency was torn in three and lumped in with other new zones.

Under the proposals from the Boundary Commission for Wales, the constituency would be split into three. Welshpool would join a North Powys and Glyndwr constituency, also including Llangollen and Denbigh. Newtown, Montgomery and Llanidloes would be moved into a South Powys constituency, with Llandrindod Wells, Builth Wells and Brecon. Machynlleth would join the Gwynedd constituency.

Councillor Alan Crowe from Welshpool has now called for residents to make their voices heard. He said: "We all need to do our bit to Save Montgomeryshire, so that we can keep our identity."

"These changes will see the eradication of Mid Wales leaving South Wales and North Wales. After all the government keeps telling us to be aware of identity theft."

Mr Crowe is urging residents to add Montgomeryshire to their home addresses in correspondence and to make their feelings known through letters to the Boundary Commission and their MPs and AMs.

Council to tackle wasps

WASP infestations in Welshpool homes will be tackled by council pest teams.

Powys County Council is reintroducing treatments for wasps found in domestic properties from the beginning of April at a cost of £4.64. For more details call 0845 602 7037 or (01597) 527467.

Time to have a look back



THE Inglenook Cafe in Welshpool is running an exhibition showing scenes of what the area around Union Street used to look like. Taking a look at the pictures was Sheila Beedles from the cafe.

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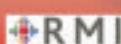
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Events to go on despite date clash

A STREET Scene event planned for Welshpool is to go ahead on June 30, despite it clashing with the town's annual Help For Heroes fundraiser.

Welshpool Projects Group's business forum had discussed delaying or cancelling the event but on Monday night agreed it should continue.

Councillor Alan Crowe said: "The Help For Heroes event doesn't start until 2pm and Street Scene will be looking to end around 3pm," he said. "The organisers don't feel our event will impact and I am confident they can run on the same day."

Thief flees with memory cards

A THIEF grabbed £400 worth of memory cards from Welshpool Sainsbury's before stuffing them down his trousers and running out of the store.

The incident occurred last Thursday lunch time at 12.45pm and police are looking for a white male, aged approximately 40-years-old. If you have information, call 101.

Heating oil theft

WELSHPOOL police are investigating the theft of heating oil from Criggon Lane, Trewern. Thieves removed 200 litres from a tank between March 14-17. Anyone with information can call police on 101.

Traders demand support on changes to one-way system

TRADERS IN Welshpool have called on the Town Council to back their demands for changes to the town's controversial one-way system.

The Welshpool Projects Business Forum this week asked the council to take up their protests and press the Welsh Assembly Government to make major changes to the system which they claim has damaged business and is keeping people away from the town.

Meeting on Monday the group called for the reintroduction of a two-way system the length of Union Street from the Church Street junction to Raven Roundabout.

They also called for a new road to be built linking the by-pass at the Railway Station Junction to Union Street.

Their call for support will go before the full Town Council meeting next Wednesday night.

Alan Ballard, of Ballard's Garage, said the new system was a "disaster". "Red Bank has become the new by-pass with people taking short cuts rather than travel into town," he said. "I met 38 cars when walking home for my lunch today."

Councillor Philip Pritchard described the one-way system as "a complete disgrace" and announced he had lodged a formal complaint with the Audit Commission.

Nightmare

"Now the official complaint has been lodged they have no alternative but to carry out a review," he said. "The entire system needs to be re-run. It is a complete nightmare for this town."

Music was provided by Graham Darby. The event was well attended and a total of £1,101 raised.

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"I would like to express heart felt thanks to everyone who has helped out, made donations, donated raffle prizes and supported the fund raising events," she said.

Ball for cancer support charity raises £1,101

A SUCCESSFUL fundraising ball held for Macmillan Cancer Support in Welshpool Town Hall raised over £1,000.

Music was provided by Graham Darby.

The event was well attended and a total of £1,101 raised.

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This was the final fundraising event organised by Jane Croft who in January 2011 decided to raise over £1,000 for Macmillan Cancer Support over the course of a year.

The proceeds from this final event bring her fundraising total for the year to £3,

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NEWS**Revamp of venue started**

WORK IS under way to give Oswestry's showground a facelift.

The improvements at the Park Hall showground should be finished before this year's Oswestry Show, one of the biggest, one-day agricultural shows in the country, on August 4.

Contractors have already begun to re-roof the pavilion that is the centre of the showground. Other work will include providing better parking for disabled visitors.

Phil Jones, chairman of the Oswestry and District Agricultural Society, said the work, which is costing £150,000, would help to keep the showground as an important venue, not only for Oswestry Show, but for other events such as caravan and camping rallies and antiques fairs.

He said funding had included a £140,000 grant from Shropshire Council's Market Towns Revitalisation Programme.

Pigs fly over jumps as farm racing season begins early

AND THEY'RE off...the pig racing season has got under way earlier than planned at Park Hall Countryside Experience near Oswestry.

Pig racing was introduced last year at the award-winning tourist attraction after a racecourse was set up and visitors flocked to see the kune kune pigs in action and cheer on their favourites.

by Graham Breeze

once a day at 2pm when the farm is open.

"As the holidays begin there will be two races each day at 12.30pm and 2.30pm.

"The pigs have racing colours of red, blue, yellow and orange and racegoers can choose which pig to support by selecting a badge of their colour.

"Hot favourite is Pinky, racing in red, but he has been known to get sidetracked by the fresh grass."

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Roger Powell with, left to right, Salt, Pinky and Greedy.



Salt in the lead followed by Pinky.

Medals for bravery are sold

THREE Liverpool Shipwreck and Humane Society medals awarded to two Liverpool policemen for their life-saving bravery sold for £1,600 at auction in Shrewsbury.

An Oswestry owner sold the silver and bronze medals, which were awarded to PC John R. Stott and PC Edward Fletcher, at Halls' auction of fine paintings, silver, jewellery, watches, coins and medals.

Constable Stott's silver medal was awarded for saving a man from a sewer in Liverpool after he had been overcome by fumes on November 2, 1931.

Included in the lot, which sold for £1,100, were his First World War medals, police good service and Coronation medals, two whistles, a walking stick, certificates, photographs and ephemera.

Medals awarded to Constable Edward Fletcher and his son Edward Fletcher Junior, sold for £500.



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Ysgol Rhiwabon has a proven record of success – this is a leading Band 1 school with a commitment to further improvement in the future.

BUSINESS**BT staff manning telethon call site**

BT STAFF in Oswestry are providing a double boost for Sport Relief this year – with volunteers manning phones in the county for tomorrow's telethon.

A pledge centre for telephone donations will, for the first time, be run from BT's base at BT Network House at Park Hall.

While some BT volunteers take donations from Sport Relief supporters over the phone, another team will be monitoring the country's phone network to ensure the smooth running of the telethon on the night. A host of fundraising activities are also planned.

The call centre will run from 6pm until midnight.

Barbara McNally-Young, head of technical services at Network House, said: "Unlike the other BT pledge centres taking donations, we are not a working call centre, so we have had to put in a temporary phone system to allow up to 80 people here to take donations at any one time."

She added: "We've got the Women's Institute baking cakes, and on Sport Relief night we'll have face painting, belly dancing, a raffle and lots of other activities, as well as a children's entertainment area with Wii games and a cinema of BT Vision films. Local local brownies, guides and scouts will be serving refreshments."



David Walker.

**CHRONICLE
BUSINESS**
Seasonal talk about lambing

THIS MONTH'S meeting of North Shropshire & Borders Smallholders Group is a seasonal talk about practical lambing.

Andy Clough from Walford and North Shropshire College will be talking about pre-post lambing and how to look after the new additions to your flock. Anyone is welcome to go along to the talk at Llanyblodwel & Porthywaen Hall next Wednesday at 7.30pm at a cost of £3 for visitors.

For more information please ring Pete and Pam on 01691 680950 or Phil and Ann on 01691 656516 or go to our website at www.northshrop-smallholder.co.uk

BUSINESSES that are consistently late paying their PAYE or Construction Industry Scheme (CIS) payments were warned they will face huge penalties this week.

David Walker, director of tax at Turner Peachey Chartered Accountants said the new penalty regime has been existent since April 2010 but, because of calculation procedures some businesses have yet to realise the liabilities they face.

"A single late payment in the tax year won't be penalised, although interest will still be due," said Mr Walker.

"Two defaults in the year will trigger a penalty of one per cent of the amount due whilst in the worst case of ten or more defaults, a four per cent penalty will be charged. "However, this can get much worse, with a five per cent penalty due on tax unpaid six months after the penalty date and another five per cent if it remains unpaid after a year."

Penalties can apply to PAYE that is in arrears as well as national insurance, student loan and CIS deductions.

To make matters worse, HM Revenue and Customs may not warn a business that it is in default, but will review the position at the end of the tax year.

They then have two years to impose any penalties due.

"Business owners can claim a reduction if they have a reasonable excuse – but presence of work ignorance of the law aren't considered reasonable excuses," said Mr Walker. "Lack of funds to pay may be taken into account, but only if HMRC accepts this was outside the control of the business.

"Some businesses have been charged tens of thousands of pounds in penalties, but crucially, these have sometimes been reduced, deferred or avoided altogether."

Mr Walker recommended any business in receipt of a penalty notice should consult their tax adviser as a matter of urgency.

Penalty warnings for firms who make late payments

Gifts galore as business thrives



One of the embroidered bags available from The Gates.

REGARDLESS of the economic downturn, an Oswestry gift shop, The Gates Gifts, on Church Street continues to go from strength to strength.

As specialists in handmade, British and fair trade home furnishings and gifts, the owners have found that their niche has allowed them to thrive despite the recession which has destroyed so many other retailers.

Mother and daughter-in-law Jacqueline Willman and Wendy Unwin are very excited about the future.

Not only are they flat-out with made-to-order commissions, they are in the process of working with an Oswestry based screen-printing company to produce a range of original products based on Jacqui's artwork.

The first of these products cockerel illustrated aprons, tea towels and bags arrived last week and are already selling very well.

To find out more about The Gates unique products why not take a stroll up Church Street for a browse or visit them online at www.thegatesgifts.com

Planning rules go under the spotlight

NEW planning rules and renewable energy will be on the agenda at a seminar being held in Oswestry on March 29.

The seminar has been organised by DPA Surveys and the Oswestry branch of the National Farmers Union at The Wynnstay Hotel.

David Parker of DPA Surveys will speak about the potential to develop land that is outside of prescribed development boundaries.

He will also explain the current position with regard to Affordable Housing and the newly introduced Community Infrastructure Levy.

Mark Jones, Oswestry NFU Secretary, has arranged for Dr Ceris Jones to speak on climate change and renewable energy.

Dr Jones is a highly regarded specialist in the field of climate change and a renowned public speaker.

To encourage attendance, bacon rolls and coffee will be available on arrival for those taking part.

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BUSINESS

We are bidding for pilot status

THE CHAMBER of Commerce, working closely with Footfall and both Oswestry Town and Shropshire Councils are developing a bid for Oswestry to become a Portas Town 'pilot'.

The Portas Report says that the high streets of the future should be multi-functional and social places, bustling with people, services and jobs which offer a clear and compelling purpose and experience not available elsewhere, and which meets the needs and interest of the local people.

The chamber supports this vision. Our application will reflect this and will be strengthened by the support of local people and groups such as yours. Time is too short for proper engagement and dialogue as the application needs to be in by the end of March, but the application can be seen as the beginning of a process and we intend for this discussion and conversation to continue beyond the bid itself.

The application will seek to build on Oswestry's culture and heritage, and reflect the many strengths that we have. It will emphasise that we wish to see more and more people enjoying their town and participating in its life.

We would like to make it easier for people, local groups and businesses to take part in town centre activities and make it easy and fun for people to make things happen in their town.

We aim to re-brand the town - showing the spaces, the calendar, contact details and would produce a brochure/pack with new town mapping, showing performance spaces, yearly calendar, examples of what can be done and stories of groups who have engaged with the town - basically an invitation to participate and enjoy the town.

Organisations are invited to e-mail info@oswestrychamber.org.uk confirming they are happy for their name to be included on the list of organisations supporting this application.

MARTIN ANDERSON
Chairman, Oswestry Chamber of Commerce

Clerk speaks to MPs about Portas plans for high street

OSWESTRY'S town clerk spoke to MPs in Parliament on Monday about plans by retail guru Mary Portas to save the high street.

David Preston has been invited to speak before the All Party Parliamentary Group on Local Democracy.

The theme of the meeting was on the Portas Review of high streets, a Government initiative to help safeguard the future of Britain's town centres.

Oswestry is one of several towns in the UK bidding for a share of a £1 million cashpot as part of the Portas Review.

by Graham Breeze

Poultry auction sale to be held

ORGANISERS of a successful poultry auction in Oswestry will be holding another next month.

Roger Parry & Partners LLP and bird enthusiasts Andy Cawthray, of Chickenstreet, will hold the next sale on April 14, at Park Hall showground.

The previous auction saw almost 400 lots entered with more than 1,000 birds on sale.

Mr Cawthray said the auctions have caused a stir within poultry circles and he had seen an increasing numbers of people looking to have their own small flock of chickens in the garden.

"The nature of poultry auctions is unlike other livestock auctions. It pulls people in from all walks of life, from the experienced breeder to novice keeper. It provides an excellent opportunity to meet up and socialise with like-minded folk."

The closing date for entries is April 2. Contact Chickenstreet on (01691) 657178 for more details.

The cash will go to 12 towns who successfully bid for the Portas funding and will be used to turn around unloved and unused high streets.

Mr Preston said the aim of Monday's meeting was to capture the take-up from the Portas Review and also link in with work on localism and neighbourhood planning.

He said: "This was an excellent opportunity to highlight the importance that Oswestry places in markets that are a key theme in the Portas review.

Organisations

"We are supporting the Love Your Market campaign and will be taking part in National Market Week, looking to involve as many individuals and organisations as possible in Oswestry markets."

Town mayor Cynthia Hawksley said: "We are delighted to receive this invitation that demonstrates the respect that Oswestry has within our national association.

"The town council is supportive of the Oswestry bid and it will be helpful to both contribute and listen to this debate at a national level."

Mr Preston had been invited to speak at the meeting by the National Association of Local Councils along with town clerks from the market towns of Ivybridge and Abingdon. Representatives from the Association of Town Centre Management and the National Association of British Market Authorities also attended.

Brewery to showcase new ale



A TOWN brewery will be showcasing one of its newest beers at an annual real ale festival in Oswestry.

More than 25 casks have been lined up ready for the Lions Club's fourth festival in the Memorial Hall, in Smithfield Street, from 6pm on Friday to Sunday.

Staff at Stonehouse Brewery, in Oswestry, will source beers and provide specialist equipment.

This year it will be supplying three of its ales including its newest creation Sunlander, made by using Australian hops.

Shane Parr, from the brewery, said: "We are happy to see the festival grow year on year. We will be supplying three beers and all the ales from other breweries come to our depot and are stored in our cellar."

As well as serving up real ales festival there will also be cider, wine and soft drinks available for people attending the event.

The £7 entry fee will cover the cost of the first four half pints. Contact Clive Humphries on (01691) 653273 or clive.humphries@tiscali.co.uk

Back, left to right, Brian Evans, secretary of Oswestry Lions Club and Lions member Linda Roberts with, front left to right, Clive Humphries, from Oswestry Lions Club and organiser of the festival and Shane Parr, from the Stonehouse Brewery.

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EASTER signals the onset of spring and, with it, lengthening days and warmer temperatures – hopefully!

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For the fifth year running, the National Trust has teamed up with Cadbury to offer a solution that ensures both parents and children get exactly what they want.

The Cadbury Easter Egg Trails offer a great day out for the whole family with outdoor games, activities and of course, plenty of chocolate treats.

Opportunity

The trails are a fantastic opportunity to enjoy quality time with the family, blow away the cobwebs and discover what your local National Trust places have to offer.

The National Trust will be opening its doors to all its premises in the areas to mark the occasion.

Easter Egg Trails will be held at Powis Castle from March 31 to April 9, from 11am-4pm; Chirk Castle from April 6 to 9, from 11am to 5pm, at Eridge between April 6 and 9, from 11am to 4pm and at Penrhyn Castle: April 7 to 9 from noon to 4pm.

At Bodnant Gardens they will be held from April 8 to 9 between 10am and 4.30pm and finally at Plas Newydd from April 8 to 9 from 11am to 4pm.

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These youngsters were out to enjoy the Easter Egg trail last year.



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NEWS**College plans to improve activities**

STAFF AT Walford and North Shropshire College in Oswestry want to create a multi-use games area and upgrade grass pitches as part of a £250,000 project to provide more sporting activities for youngsters.

The games area will be placed on the field opposite the new leisure centre and will have fencing to catch stray balls.

The college also wants to use the cash to improve its training rooms.

About £100,000 in funding has been awarded to the college by the Skills Funding Agency and the college itself has added an extra £150,000.

College principal Andrew Tyley said: "It is to help improve the facilities for the sports courses at the college. It seems to make sense to bring that area into proper use."

"It will be a really good development. Sport is a really important part of the college and it has grown over the years."

"This will strengthen our role and could be excellent for the town."

The college sent a planning application to Shropshire Council for permission to install the plans after it announced it will be running a foundation degree in sport development and coaching, in partnership with Stafford University, in September.

Youth council members win high praise from the mayor

YOUTH COUNCILS have a vital role to play in the life of any town or city, according to the mayor of Oswestry.

Councillor Cynthia Hawksley made the claim after Oswestry's Youth Council was nominated for a High Sheriff's Young Citizenship Award.

The nomination, from Shropshire Youth, is for the important decisions and work members carry out to improve conditions for young people in the town and the award winners will be announced at an event in Telford on March 27.

Councillor Hawksley praised the work of Oswestry's own youth council, saying today's young people were being wrongly given a bad press.

She recently attended a meeting of the youth council, an arm of the town council, to find out more about its work.

"I was very impressed," she said. "Every member takes their role very seriously and the youth council is getting involved in the life and the future of Oswestry."

"It is good to see teenagers from all three schools and colleges in the town on the youth council and integrating with each other."

Equipment

Members represent the Marches School, Oswestry School, Walford and North Shropshire College, the youth cafe and My Space.

Over the past year the youth council has given its views on various matters affecting Oswestry. This included helping to choose equipment for the new playground being built in the town's Cae Glas Park.

Last week members of the youth council joined up with young people involved in the new My Space youth centre to look at the materials being used within the new building in Oak Street. The council has also handed out £1,000 in grants to projects launched by Oswestry Youth Cafe.

Councillor Hawksley said: "Too often these days young people are branded as lazy or troublemakers. I wish that people could see how great the vast majority of young people are."

by Sue Austin

Miles of fun to aid Sport Relief

PEOPLE IN the Oswestry area can take part in the Sport Relief mile, thanks to The Venue at Park Hall.

The centre, home of The New Saints Football Club, is organising a Sport Relief event on Sunday.

Starting at 11am there will be various times during the day to take part in a mile run.

One of the organisers, Stephen Stokes, said people of all ages could take part and could walk, jog run, and even take part in fancy dress.

"We will have plenty of water available and there will be medals for all those completing the mile," he said.

It costs £3 to enter or just £6 for a family and everyone is encouraged to get sponsorship for the Sport Relief charity.

More details are available from The Venue on (01691) 684840 or www.gotothevenuerun.com

A GOLDEN retriever whose owners are from Llandysul proved every dog really does have its day after winning a prize at Crufts.

Freddie was among thousands of dogs who competed at this year's event, and was placed third in the golden retriever limit dog class.

His owners, Brian and Anne Goddard from Llandysul, Montgomery, said they were left beaming with pride following Freddie's performance.

Mrs Goddard said: "Freddie was celebrating his sixth birthday on the day he competed."

"We are incredibly pleased with his performance because the standard of competition was very high and he had to compete against 20 other entries. We just couldn't believe that he had come third, we definitely were not expecting it."

She said Freddie's French father was an international champion and his English mother was a successful show winner. Freddie's maternal grandfather was best of breed in 2001.

Freddie has his day at Crufts



Anne Goddard with her golden retriever who came third in the Limit Class at Crufts.

Freegle in running for a Climate Week prize

AN ONLINE recycling initiative, which has about 17,000 members across Shropshire, has been shortlisted for an award.

The Freegle organisation runs localised websites to allow people to offer and ask for a wide range of goods and items for free.

The group will find out on Sunday at an award ceremony in London whether it has won the category of best community initiative in this year's Climate Week Awards.

Sara Horner, who volunteers to help the Oswestry Freegle group, said she would be travelling to London this weekend to represent the organisation at the ceremony.

She said: "We have around 17,000 members across the whole of Shropshire with groups in Shrewsbury, Oswestry, Telford, Ludlow and North Shropshire."

"We would love more people to start reusing locally so are really thrilled at being shortlisted."

"I am really looking forward to go to the awards ceremony and it is great all our hard work has been recognised."

People use the free service by signing up to a local Freegle group and offer unwanted items to other members of that community.

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A clean start to Spring!

THERE comes a time when you can no longer sweep that dirt under the carpet.

The sunshine pouring in through the windows shows up the smears, and there's a level of dust that only Miss Havisham could live with.

In other words, with the first day of spring looming on March 21, it's time to face that annual ritual known as the spring clean.

But there's no need to despair if you don't have Upstairs Downstairs-style staff to scrub and slave.

BBC news presenter Joanna Gosling has unlocked the secret of stress-free cleaning, and shows how to cut the time it takes in half in her new book Simply Wonderwoman.

"Over the year I've discovered some tricks that are so easy that I wanted to share, because like any working mother I know what it's like to have too much to do and not enough time to clean it all in," says Gosling, who has three daughters, aged nine to three, with her husband, David Cameron, who is David Cameron's chief of communications.

It's a busy household but her cosy home has an air of calm and order, with one kitchen wall painted in blackboard paint as an easy 'organiser' space, a string washing line with painted pegs holding party invitations and children's colourful art work, and a larder boasting neat rows of glass jars and containers.

"I realised a long time ago that we may all want to be that wonderwoman - baking, home-making, a perfect wife and mother, and possibly doing all that on top of working."

"But the reality is no one can really embody everything we imagine her to be. So we need to think smart and my mantra about housework is 'minimum effort, maximum return'.

"Over the years, I've loved the eureka moment of discovering a great corner-cutting method or a tip that really works."



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CLEAN SWEEP: "Break the task into bite-sized chunks and just focus on one room at a time," says Gosling. "And always start at the top and work down so you don't dirty already cleaned areas."

Get a long-handled duster (or wrap a microfibre cloth around the bristles of a broom) and sweep along the top of walls and around any cornices to get rid of dust and cobwebs.

"Get the vacuum cleaner and set suction to low so you can clean over curtains, the tops of doors, sofas, chairs, cushions and skirting boards. Pull out furniture to make sure you get rid of dust lurking behind," says Gosling.

Get a damp cloth and a dry microfibre cloth. Take everything off all surfaces and wipe over with the damp cloth to clean away dust.

Rinse out cloth and repeat to ensure surface is clean. Buff dry with microfibre cloth.

Do the same to all objects before they go back. There's no need to use cleaning products as the wet wipe and dry microfibre cleans and shines everything - including silver picture frames!

MAKE IT SHINE: Clean mirrors and picture glass, as well as TV and computer screens, with the same damp cloth and dry microfibre cloth, before finishing with windows.

"Do keep rinsing your cleaning cloth, or replace it if it gets dirty or ragged," advises Gosling. "Likewise, leave a spare microfibre to hand if it gets too damp."

Clean off any stubborn marks on paintwork with a little scouring cream and wash away thoroughly with a clean, damp cloth.

Now vacuum the floor. If you have rugs, take them outside and shake. If you have hard floors, vacuum or sweep, then clean.

If you have carpet, use a cleaning spray on any dirty marks and then vacuum on full suction power.

KITCHEN BLITZ: Shiny clean floors and surfaces are essential in the room that's the heart of the home.

"Bring a floor back to its best by doing a 'hands and knees' clean to remove ingrained dirt that mops just don't touch," urges Gosling.

Sweep the floor first, then in a bowl mix up a solution of a juice of half a lemon, one cup of white vinegar and one cup of warm water. Get another bowl of warm water and a couple of cloths.

Wring the cloth out well so it is slightly damp then put it in the lemon and vinegar solution, squeeze out excess and get scrubbing.

If you have a wooden floor, add two teaspoons of olive oil to the mix. Alternate the cleaning cloths, leave the dirty one to soak in the bowl while you use the other.

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Developers offer help in buying new home

Buyers will be able to find a family home from just £99,996 at the Badgers Green development in Heritage Way, Llanymynech.

Housebuilder Charles Church is offering buyers its shared equity scheme on selected homes.

Under the scheme, the three-bedroom semi-detached 'Byron' home is priced at £99,996 plus a £5,000 deposit.

For further information call 01691 830696 or visit www.charleschurch.com

Four-bed residence has been modernised to high standard

Rookwood, 3 Croeswylan Close, Oswestry, is a spacious family house on the outskirts of the town with a large garden and fine views across the adjoining countryside. Priced off offers around £489,500, the home includes gas-fired central heating, cavity wall insulation and uPVC double glazing, and is within walking distance of the town's shopping centre.

The property was constructed in 1962 and has been fully modernised in recent years.

There is a spacious reception hall, guest cloakroom, inner hallway, study, dining room with patio doors to the garden, laundry, lounge and garden room. The 'L' shaped breakfast kitchen features an integrated stainless steel gas hob and double oven, plumbing for a dishwasher, and a walk-in pantry.

Upstairs are four fitted double bedrooms, two ensuite, and a family bathroom.

The property occupies a quiet cul-de-sac position and is

approached over a brick paved driveway providing ample car parking and access to a double garage.

There is a large south-facing garden laid mainly to lawn, with paved pathways and patio areas, a rose garden, compost area, flower and herbaceous borders, vegetable plot, greenhouse and spring garden.

For further information or to arrange a viewing, contact selling agents JJ Dell & Co on 01691 653437 or visit the website www.jjdell.co.uk



Smallholding with 7 acres for auction

A North Shropshire smallholding with a range of outbuildings and seven acres of pasture and woodland is to go under the hammer with a guide price of £175,000 to £200,000 on March 23.

The Hatch at Lyneal, near Ellesmere, is a period, detached, two-storey house, which is believed to be more than 200 years old.

The accommodation comprises a ground floor lobby, kitchen, lounge and dining room together with two first floor bedrooms. There is potential for a 10kw solar panel system to be installed on the land, which will give free electricity for 25 years.

For more information please contact Halls on 01691 622602 or visit www.hallsgb.com

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PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK**Individually designed property offers far-reaching views**

On the market for £325,000, number 23 Delfan, Pant, is an individual detached property with good sized garden and outstanding views.

The accommodation includes master bedroom with ensuite shower, fitted kitchen, utility, triple aspect lounge and three bedrooms, with a double garage and paved patio outside. The home has oil-fired central heating and hardwood double glazing.

For further information please contact Morris Marshall and Poole on 01691 679595 or visit www.morrismarshall.co.uk

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**Four-bedroom village semi is well presented**

Number 2 Ferndale Close, Foxen Manor, Four Crosses, Llanymynech, an extremely spacious four-bedroom semi-detached property, is for sale through Parry Lowarch priced at around £176,000.

It has an entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, good-sized utility with downstairs cloakroom, small integral garage, master bedroom with ensuite shower room, three further good-sized bedrooms, family bathroom, night storage heating, double glazing and gardens.

For further information please contact Parry Lowarch on 01743 343343 or visit www.parrylowarch.co.uk

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**Detached bungalow has planning consent for extension**

Offered with planning permission for an extension, 10 Bradley Fields, Oswestry, is on the market with no chain for £195,000. The two-bedroom detached bungalow comprises a hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, two double bedrooms and family bathroom. Consent was granted in 2008 for an extension to provide an extra bedroom and enhanced living accommodation. Outside there is off-road parking for four cars, a single garage and large gardens.

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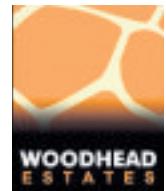
PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK



Period terrace for sale with no upward chain

Offers over £139,950 are invited for 2 Hand Terrace, Chirk, which is on the market with no upward chain. This character two-bedroom mid terrace property contains enviable period features, a kitchen/dining room, garden room, living room, inner hallway, two bedrooms and bathroom. There are low maintenance gardens to the front and rear with a patio area in the enclosed rear garden, as well as a workshop and garage.

For further information please contact Woodhead Estates on 01691 680044 or visit www.woodheadestates.com



Immaculate family house set on corner plot

Number 4 St Annes Drive, Morda, is an immaculately presented four-bedroom detached house in a lovely corner plot position and benefits from an attached double garage and conservatory. There is a living room with fireplace, a dining room, breakfast kitchen, utility, first floor landing, master bedroom ensuite, family bathroom, gas-fired central heating, double glazing, double width driveway providing ample off-street parking and attractively landscaped low-maintenance gardens. Offers are invited based on £225,000.

For more details please contact Richmond Harvey on 01691 654222 or visit www.richmondharvey.com



Roomy rural retreat includes stabling and large gardens

Lower Lodge, Fron Bank, Forden, is on the market with a guide price of £325,000. The immaculate four-bedroom detached country house stands on a plot extending to three-quarters of an acre and comprises a utility, large kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, spacious lounge with dining area, shower room/wc, three double and one single first floor bedrooms, and cloakroom. Outside there is a driveway with ample turning and parking, timber garage/workshop and two block built stables. The grounds are laid mainly to lawn with fruit trees and include an ornamental pond and vegetable garden.

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GOBOWEN



- Detached three bedroomed split level house
- G/F C/H, D/G
 - Reception hall
 - Lounge
 - Dining room
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 - Garage & car parking

JUD781

£210,000

OSWESTRY



- Exceptionally Well Appointed Detached Family House On Outskirts Of Town With Large Garden And Fine Views Across Adjoining Countryside
- GFCH - UPVC DG
 - Three Reception Rooms
 - Breakfast Kitchen
 - Utility
 - Four Fitted Double Bedrooms
 - Three Bathroom
 - Double Garaging

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£489,500

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- Well appointed Two Bedroomed Detached Bungalow Occupying a Quiet Cul De Sac Position
- Gas Fired Central Heating
 - PVC Double Glazing
 - Reception Hall
 - Lounge/Dining Room
 - Kitchen
 - Two Bedrooms
 - Garage/Ampie Car Parking
 - Attractive Garden

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 - Utility
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 - Bathroom
 - Rear Garden

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- Exceptionally well appointed country property with double garage and workshop, garden and small paddock
- 2 Good sized reception rooms
 - Breakfast Kitchen
 - 3 Beds
 - En-suite
 - Bathroom

JUD749

£274,500

OSWESTRY



- Detached three bedroomed family house in sought after residential area of town
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 - 3 Bed Detached Cottage
 - 2 Reception Rooms
 - Open Countryside Views
 - Detached Garage & parking
 - 0.8 Acre Garden

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Station Road, Gobowen

Price: £129,950

- NEW** **NO CHAIN**
- A detached two bedroom bungalow with private rear garden benefiting from double glazing and gas fired central heating.
 - 2 Bed Bungalow
 - Double Glazing
 - Gas Central Heating
 - Detached Garage & Parking
 - Private Rear Garden



Regent Court, Oswestry

Price: £124,950

NO CHAIN

- A well appointed two bedroom first floor apartment** within easy level walking distance to the town centre.

- 2 Bed (Master & En-Suite)
- Retirement Apartment
- Private Parking
- Communal Areas
- Double Glazing
- Viewing Advised



The Haven, Four Crosses

Price: £355,000

- NEW** **NO CHAIN**
- A well appointed and individually designed detached bungalow offering spacious accommodation with views to The Breidden Hills or open countryside from most windows and conservatory.
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 - 2 Reception & Conservatory
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 - UPVC DG & PVC Panels
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Perry Bank, Hengoed

Price: £244,950

- NEW** **NO CHAIN**
- Situated in a lovely semi rural location in a cul de sac of 4 properties with excellent commuter links within easy reach this four bedroom detached family home must be viewed to be appreciated.
 - 4 Bed (Master & En-Suite)
 - Open Countryside Views To Rear
 - Oil Central Heating
 - UPVC Double Glazing
 - Garage & Parking
 - Gardens



Hampton Road, Oswestry

Price: £150,000

NO CHAIN

- A two bedroom detached bungalow** situated in a most sought after and popular residential area, known for being quiet and close to Oswestry Town centre.

- 2 Bed Detached Bungalow
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Garage & Parking
- Sought After Location
- Gardens



Fron Isaf, Chirk

Price: £154,950

- NEW** **NO CHAIN**
- This quaint country property dates back to the 1800s and benefits from panoramic views of the North Shropshire Plain. Situated just over the border and near to Chirk Castle this extended three bedroom cottage must be viewed to be appreciated.
 - 3 Double Bedrooms
 - 2 Reception Rooms
 - Detached Garage / Workshop
 - Private Garden
 - Viewing Advised

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NO CHAIN

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- 2 Double Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- 1920 Character Features
- Gardens
- Lovely Views
- Sought After Location



Weston View, Wern

Price: £239,995

- NO CHAIN**
- A four bedroom character property** situated in a sought after hamlet location.
 - 4 Bedroom Character Property
 - Sought After Hamlet Location
 - Oil Central Heating & Double Glazing
 - Open Countryside Views
 - Gardens
 - Ample Parking

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Greenfields, St Martins

Price: £119,950

- NO CHAIN**
- A three bedroom semi detached family home situated in a popular village location with excellent amenities and nearby commuter links.
 - 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
 - Gas Central Heating
 - Double Glazing
 - Gardens
 - Outbuilding & Shed



Oakfield, Morton

Price: £250,000

NO CHAIN

- A property set in a lovely location with views to the hills, set in all approximately 1.5 acres. This property is in need of some updating however, the space and scope the property offers will no doubt attract property investors and families.**

- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Approx. 1.5 Acres
- Requires Updating
- Double Garage & Parking
- Countryside Views



Oak Close, Weston Rhyn

Price: £189,950

- NO CHAIN**
- In excellent decorative order throughout a lovely detached bungalow set in a quiet cul de sac with superb kitchen dining room, conservatory, light and bright lounge, three double bedrooms, garage, pattern imprinted concrete driveway, gardens and workshop.
 - 3 Double Bedrooms
 - Detached Bungalow
 - Garage, Workshop & Parking
 - Gas Central Heating
 - UPVC Double Glazing
 - Viewing Recommended

Contact Oswestry



Quinta Cottage, Ruyton XI Towns

Price: £229,950

- NO CHAIN**
- A charming detached sandstone cottage situated in a sought after village location with stunning views.
 - 2 Bed Room Cottage
 - Sought After Village
 - Large Enclosed Gardens
 - Gas Central Heating
 - UPVC Double Glazing
 - Stunning Views.



Maes Myllin, Llanfyllin

Price: £234,950

NO CHAIN

- In excellent decorative order this four bedroom town house and former B&B is a MUST see property. Offering spacious accommodation over three floors with superb 23ft by 23ft master bedroom ensuite.**

- 4 Beds (Inc Master Suite)
- Views Over Llanfyllin Town & the Hills
- NHBC Guarantee
- Parking
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating



North Road, Llanymynech

Price: £315,000

- NO CHAIN**
- Situated in 2 acres of gardens and grounds this extended cottage dates back to the 1800s. Offering spacious accommodation warmed by oil fired central heating and benefits from double glazing throughout this property must be viewed to be appreciated.
 - 3 Bed Cottage
 - 3 Receptions & Conservatory
 - Situated In 2 Acres
 - Dating Back To The 1800s
 - Orchard & Paddock
 - Parking

Contact Oswestry



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ESTATE AGENTS VALUERS CHARTERED SURVEYORS AUCTIONEERS LETTINGS



INCLUDING 2 BED HOLIDAY LET



Nant Mawr, Oswestry

A detached stone former farmhouse, set in grounds extending to approx 1.94 acres, range of outbuildings incorporating a two bedroom holiday let. Hall, sitting room, family room/dining room, large kitchen/breakfast room, WC, four bedrooms, family bathroom, family shower room, DG, oil CH, pretty cottage style gardens to the rear overlooking countryside, heated outdoor swimming pool. Annex; hall, open plan kitchen/living area, downstairs bedroom, bathroom, second mezzanine bedroom, with its own private garden away from the main house. Double garage, two stables, adjoining tack room/store.

Guide Price: £635,000

2927



GARDENS & PADDOCK JUST OVER 1 ACRE



Llangedwyn, Oswestry

An attractive and extremely spacious, detached barn conversion, with uPVC DG, electric storage heating, wood burner, double garage, gardens and small paddock amounting in all to over one acre or thereabouts. Entrance hall, main reception hall, living room, dining room, cloak/WC, large farmhouse style kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, large landing, four good bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family shower room. Occupying a delightful rural position set in the middle of its garden grounds, enjoying superb country views over the surrounding fields and beyond.

Guide Price: £449,950

2744



IDEAL FOR SMALL LUXURY B&B



Llansantffraid

A detached property which has been totally re-designed and refurbished to make a spacious family home or as a small luxury B&B which is what it is currently being utilised for. Reception hall, feature central hallway, sitting room, conservatory, large dining room, study suite, small gym, kitchen/breakfast room, family room, laundry room, downstairs bedroom with en-suite shower room, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom/showers rooms. PVC DG, propane gas CH, triple carport, easily maintained gardens, ample parking.

Guide Price: £445,000

2991



Edgerley, Oswestry

A charming, Grade II Listed detached period cottage with self contained annexe/garage block. Hall, living room, dining room, family/games room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Parking, gardens extending to approx 0.6 acre including greenhouse and polytunnel. Occupying a pleasant rural location in the hamlet of Edgerley, being about 12 miles from Shrewsbury and Oswestry.

Guide Price: £430,000

2717



Edgerley, Nr Oswestry

A substantial luxury barn conversion enjoying outstanding views over the fields and countryside, with extensive accommodation; large feature gallery entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom, large sitting room with sun room leading off, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, dining room, landing, master bedroom with en-suite facilities, three further bedrooms, family bathroom. Set in good sized gardens, and at present, purchasers will have a choice of kitchens and sanitary ware, and a choice of heating systems. Double garage and adjoining paddock are available by separate negotiation.

Guide Price: £425,000

2899



SET IN APPROX 2.5 ACRES



Penygarreg Lane, Pant

A rare opportunity to acquire a substantial detached mature bungalow, set in good sized gardens and wooded dingle extending to approx 2.5 acres in total (or thereabouts). Feature reception hall, sitting room, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, two further bedrooms, family bathroom. Large double garage, oil CH, PVC DG to the majority of windows. It occupies a convenient location on the outskirts of the village within walking distance of local amenities.

Guide Price: £395,000

2962



NO CHAIN FIVE BEDROOMS

Pant, Nr Oswestry

An extremely spacious and attractive 5 bedroom detached family house. Oil CH, mainly DG, large integral garage, and two storey detached building providing garaging with rooms above. Occupying a delightful rural position with fields to the rear, located about 5 miles from Oswestry and 15 miles from Shrewsbury, the plot extends in total to approx 1/3 of an acre. Hall, 2 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, four further bedrooms, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £365,000

2192



Edgerley, Oswestry

A large, brand new, modern detached house, in a small development of just 4 units, set in the hamlet of Edgerley. Reception hall, downstairs cloakroom, large sitting room, large dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, three double bedrooms, all with en-suites (to be fitted), family bathroom. The kitchen and sanitary ware are now due to be delivered by the manufacturer, the remaining fixtures and fittings may not be available. Please contact agents for details. Wood framed DG, detached double garage. Small adjoining paddock extending to approx an acre is available by separate negotiation. Contact agents for further details.

Guide Price: £325,000

2897

Guide Price: £325,000

2898



REAR VIEW



WITH OFFICE SUITE/ANNEXE

West Felton, Oswestry

A substantial detached four bedroom family home, occupying a central position in the village Llanfechain, situated approx 12 miles west of Oswestry and 20 miles north west of Shrewsbury. Reception hall, sitting room, dining room, family room/snug, kitchen/breakfast room, cloaks, conservatory with adjoining store, three double bedrooms, box room, bathroom, separate WC, large double garage, and a further double bedroom and large attic room on the second floor. Oil CH, concrete sectional double garage, and private gardens enjoying a lovely aspect.

Guide Price: £295,000

2810



Kinnerley, Oswestry

A well presented semi-detached property situated in a lovely location on the outskirts of the village of Kinnerley, enjoying lovely views over brook and woodland to the rear. Hall, downstairs cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Oil CH, PVC DG, large detached single garage, lovely rear gardens set in two sections running down to feature brook and enjoying lovely open outlooks. The village of Kinnerley has a good assortment of amenities including church, pub, shop and primary school.

Guide Price: £177,500

3016



PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED

Arddleen, Llanymynech

A deceptively spacious, individual, detached family house, with oil CH, wood framed DG, garage, ample parking, good sized garden to the rear. Occupying a very pleasant position in the village in an elevated position with a lovely outlook to the front, situated about six miles from Welshpool, and nine miles from Oswestry. Porch, reception hall, 22' lounge, 27' living room/dining room/kitchen, utility room, WC, four double bedrooms, luxury en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £250,000

2190



Llandrino, Llanymynech

An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dormer style house, oil CH, upVC DG, ample parking, garage and garden. Occupying a very convenient position in the village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC.

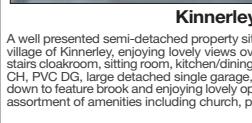
Guide Price: £232,500

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An attractive, three bedroom detached double fronted, stone cottage, believed to date back to the 1700's and retaining many original features. The property occupies a convenient position about one mile from the centre of the village with a range of local amenities and has the benefit of oil CH, parking and gardens. Hall, sitting room with wood burner, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, landing, three bed rooms and bathroom.

Guide Price: £199,950

2870



Roundwood Close, Oswestry

A spacious extended semi-detached property offering affordable four bedroom accommodation, with oil CH, mainly upVC DG, garage and very large rear garden. Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, landing, four double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom. The property occupies a very convenient road side position in the centre of this popular village having a range of amenities, and being about 11 miles from Shrewsbury, Welshpool and Oswestry.

Guide Price: £139,500

2985



Foxen Manor, Four Crosses

An extremely spacious semi-detached property offering affordable family accommodation comprising; large through entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, utility room, double garage, en-suite shower room, three further good size bedrooms, utility/cloaks, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further good size bedrooms, family bathroom. Night storage heating, DG - some of which is wood effect PVC, small integral garage, and private enclosed gardens to rear.

Guide Price: £189,500

2768



THREE BEDROOMS LARGE REAR GARDEN

A well appointed and hugely extended, end of terrace house, upVC DG, gas CH, and very large rear garden. It occupies a prime position in a popular residential area, conveniently positioned for short distance local amenities. The accommodation must be viewed to appreciate the size of this property; hall, large through living room, separate snug/family room, large L-shaped kitchen/dining room, three double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom and a separate WC.

Guide Price: £145,000

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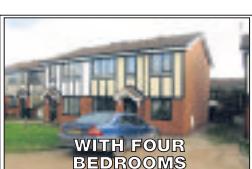


NO CHAIN

Breidden View, Llanidloes
A deceptively spacious mid terrace cottage, having oil CH, mainly upVC DG, garage and very large rear garden. Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, landing, four double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom. The property occupies a very convenient road side position in the centre of this popular village having a range of amenities, and being about 11 miles from Shrewsbury, Welshpool and Oswestry.

Guide Price: £143,000

2747



WITH FOUR BEDROOMS

An attractive semi-detached country cottage, in need of complete modernisation and renovation, and having very good size rear garden. Living room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, four double bedrooms, two bedrooms, and bathroom. Occupying a quiet end of cul-de-sac position with enclosed gardens to the rear with small greenhouse.

Guide Price: £139,500

2623



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

An attractive semi-detached country cottage, in need of complete modernisation and renovation, and having very good size rear garden. Living room, dining room, kitchen, utility room, four double bedrooms, two bedrooms, and bathroom. Occupying a quiet end of cul-de-sac position with enclosed gardens to the rear with small greenhouse.

Guide Price: £75,000

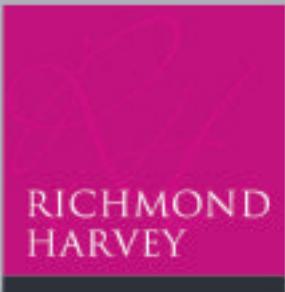


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Tregarthen Lane, Pant



A most spacious and well appointed split level detached residence which enjoys delightful views over the Shropshire plain and accommodation to comprise: Reception Hall, Three Ground Floor Bedrooms (Guest Bedroom Ensuite) and Family Bathroom, First Floor Landing, Cloakroom, Spacious L-shaped Family Room/Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Balcony, Dining Room, Living Room, Master Bedroom with Ensuite and Walk-In Wardrobe, Study/Bedroom 5, Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Elevated driveway providing extensive parking, Double Garage, Most attractively landscaped gardens. NO CHAIN.

Offers in the Region of £360,000



Hammonds Place, Gobowen

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY Enjoying a generous corner plot position a 3 bedroom end terraced dwelling house which offers scope for improvement and briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge with open fire, Dining Room, Kitchen, Side Porch, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms, Wet Room, Gas Fired Central Heating, Gardens to front, side and rear, outside store, parking and garage. Agents Note: Bedrooms 2 & 3 were previously 1 large bedroom. NO CHAIN.

Offers in the Region of £79,950



Pool Quay, Welshpool

Enjoying a delightful rural situation a well appointed 3 bed character attached barn conversion which was tastefully completed during 2003. The property offers a wealth of character features and enjoys views over the adjoining countryside with well planned accommodation. The attached barn for conversion is also available to purchase, please ask a member of staff for further details. Viewing fully recommended by the owners agents.

Price Guide £270,000



St Annes Drive, Morda

IMMACULATE PRESENTATION WITH CONSERVATORY AND DOUBLE GARAGE An immaculately presented four bedroom detached family house which enjoys a lovely corner plot position and benefits from an attached double garage and conservatory with attractive landscaped low maintenance gardens. The property also comprises: Reception Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen featuring fireplace, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing. TRULY A MUST SEE PROPERTY.

Offers Based On £225,000



Bronygarth, Nr Oswestry

WITH VIEWS TOWARDS CHIRK CASTLE Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this tastefully refurbished 2/3 bed detached country cottage (Former Toll Cottage and Post Office/Village Shop) dating back to Georgian times when it was originally two cottages. The Old Gate House enjoys a delightful situation with surrounding countryside views and briefly comprises: Living Room with feature fireplace and multi fuel stove, Spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room/Ground Floor Bedroom 3, Kitchen, Utility, Ground Floor Bathroom, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Oil Fired Central Heating, Driveway providing ample off-road parking, Elevated Gardens. NO CHAIN. Early Viewing Recommended.

Offers in Region Of £254,950



Balmoral Crescent, Oswestry

TUCKED AWAY WITH IMMACULATE PRESENTATION Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to introduce this most beautifully presented two bedroom modern semi detached house to the market which enjoys a private position and accommodation to briefly comprise: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Attractive Kitchen/Dining Room, First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-road parking, Garage and neatly landscaped gardens. MUST BE SEEN.

Offers in the region of £124,950



Lloyd Street, Oswestry

RECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS ACCOMMODATION Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this most deceivingly spacious 3 bedroom period town house to the market which enjoys a convenient location for local town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing where stated, Garden to rear with Summer House (including Hot Tub), Decked Balcony and Pergola. Offers in the Region Of £126,995



Tregarthen Lane, Pant

IMPRESSIVE 4/5 BEDROOM DETACHED PERIOD RESIDENCE Richmond Harvey Properties has pleased to release this most deceivingly spacious 3 bedroom period town house to the market which enjoys a convenient location for local town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Off Street Parking, Garage, Gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in the Region Of £545,000

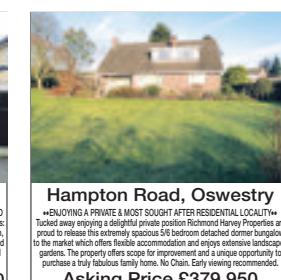
Price Guide £545,000



Belle Vue, Morda

PARKING TO FRONT AND REAR WITH LARGER THAN AVERAGE GARAGE AND SPACE FOR CARAVAN Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this extremely spacious 5/6 bedroom detached dormer bungalow to the market which enjoys a private position and accommodation to briefly comprise: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge with feature fireplace, Breakfast Kitchen, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Five Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway and off-road parking to front and rear, garage and low maintenance gardens. Viewing fully recommended.

Offers in the region of £154,000



Hampton Road, Oswestry

ENJOYING A PRIVATE A MOST SOUGHT AFTER RESIDENTIAL LOCALITY Tucked away enjoying a delightful private position Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this extremely spacious 5/6 bedroom detached dormer bungalow to the market which enjoys a private position and accommodation to briefly comprise: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge with feature fireplace, Breakfast Kitchen, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Five Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway and off-road parking to front and rear, garage and low maintenance gardens. The property offers scope for improvement and a unique opportunity to purchase a truly fabulous family home. NO CHAIN. Early viewing recommended.

Asking Price £379,950



Weaver Close, Oswestry

BENEFITTING FROM RECENT REFURBISHMENT A 3 bed 3 storey modern town house which briefly comprises: Reception Hall, Playroom, Cloakroom, Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Living Room, Bathroom and Bedroom Three, Second Floor Landing, Three Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Off Street Parking, Garage, Gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.



The Meadows, Gobowen

BENEFITTING FROM RECENT REFURBISHMENT A two bed dot bungalow which benefits from a spacious living room with multi fuel stove, study/dining room and a useful side lobby. Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and conveniently positioned for local town centre amenities. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge with feature fireplace, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Off Street Parking, Garage, Gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region Of £152,000

Price Guide £450,000



Treflach, Nr Oswestry

A BEAUTIFUL COTTAGE IN A DESIRED LOCATION Richmond Harvey Properties are pleased to release this exceptionally high specification to include Kenton Jones Bespoke luxury fitted Kitchen, Impressive Living Room with feature vaulted ceiling and exposed stone fireplace with two beamed ceilings, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Three Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off road parking, attached double garage with first floor office and gardens. TRULY A MUST SEE PROPERTY.

Offers in Region Of £154,000



Mews Court, Oswestry

SOUGHT AFTER LOCALITY A most delightful two bedroom news cottage which has been tastefully improved by the present owners and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing and Garden to rear. NO CHAIN. IDEAL FIRST TIME BUYER OR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY.

Offers in Region of £134,950



Whitfield Close, Oswestry

IMMACULATE & TASTFULLY IMPROVED A most well appointed two bedroom semi detached house which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this popular residential locality. The property benefits from excellent three reception rooms, an attractive kitchen, utility and WC, master bedroom ensuite, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. Neatly landscaped gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region Of £124,995



Sweeney Drive, Morda

A MODERN 4 BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this popular development and benefits from two reception rooms, an attractive kitchen, utility and WC, master bedroom ensuite, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. Neatly landscaped gardens to front and rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region Of £199,950

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Milars Field, Oswestry

A FIVE BEDROOM EXECUTIVE DETACHED HOUSE (Former Show Home) Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Utility, Master Bedroom with Dressing Area and Ensuite, Two Further Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Attic Room, Garage, Landscaped Garden, Off Street Parking, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Fasclias and Softis. Viewing Fully Recommended. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region of £265,000



Gittin Street, Oswestry

RICHMOND HARVEY PROPERTIES ARE PLEASED TO RELEASE THIS MOST COMFORTABLY APPOINTED 3 BEDROOM END TERRACED TOWN HOUSE which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location convenient for local amenities. The property has recently been refurbished internally and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garage. AVAILABLE. NO DSS, PETS OR SMOKERS.

£525 PCM



Y Ddol, Penybontfawr

3 BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and delightful countryside views to the rear elevation. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room, Utility, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Two Further Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Attic Room, Garage, Landscaped Garden, Off Street Parking, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing and Garden to rear. NO CHAIN. Offers in Region of £207,000



Ambleside Road, Oswestry

RICHMOND HARVEY PROPERTIES ARE PLEASED TO RELEASE THIS WELL POSITIONED 3 BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE TO THE RENTAL MARKET which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location convenient for local amenities. The property has recently been refurbished internally and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garage. AVAILABLE. NO DSS, PETS OR SMOKERS.

£600PCM



Sunnyside, Baschurch

The property is situated when a sought after village which offers a wealth of character features such as schools, pubs and village shop. The property offers a wealth of character features. The accommodation briefly comprises: Fitted Kitchen, Dining Room with integrated fireplace, Boot Room, Ground Floor Cloakroom, 3 Bedrooms and Dressing Room. Bathrooms with feature freestanding bath, separate shower cubicle, WC, Fitted Bathrooms, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garden. AVAILABLE. Offers Over £249,950



Almond Avenue, Gobowen

SPACIOUS TWO DOUBLE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this extremely spacious two bedroom first floor to the market which is convenient for local village amenities including railway station. The property briefly comprises: Living Room with feature fireplace, Dining Room, Utility, First Floor Landing, Two Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garden. AVAILABLE. NO DSS, PETS OR SMOKERS.

£450PCM



Gittin Street, Oswestry

RICHMOND HARVEY PROPERTIES ARE PLEASED TO RELEASE THIS MOST COMFORTABLY APPOINTED 3 BEDROOM END TERRACED TOWN HOUSE which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location convenient for local amenities. The property has recently been refurbished internally and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, First Floor Landing, Three Double Bedrooms, Shower Room, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating and Garage. AVAILABLE. NO DSS, PETS OR SMOKERS.

£525 PCM



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Chirk Bank



A semi detached house, conveniently located for the main A483/AS and also close to the amenities that Chirk provides. The accommodation provides living room, dining kitchen, three bedrooms, master en-suite and family bathroom. There is parking to the fore with garden to the rear.

£129,950

Llangadfan



A new build detached three bedroom bungalow on this select development. The property is fully double glazed, has oil fired central heating and has been finished to an excellent standard with contemporary kitchen and sanitary ware. There is ample driveway parking as this is a corner plot as well as an attached single garage and front, side and rear lawns and patio.

£192,000

Meifod



An extended and modernised stone cottage, providing spacious and comfortable family accommodation, comprising dining kitchen, utility, living room, study, ensuite master bedroom, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. The property is situated in a rural setting surrounded on all sides by private gardens with countryside views and benefits from oil fired central heating and double glazing throughout. There is eight acres of pasture land available by separate negotiation.

£345,000

Llansanffraid



A rare opportunity to purchase a rural smalholding with outbuildings, extending to approximately 2.5 acres or thereabouts. The period cottage requires some improvement and currently provides four bedrooms and two reception rooms. The cottage retains many original features including timbers and an impressive Inglenook fireplace. Viewing Highly Recommended.

£325,000

Llansanffraid



A new build home situated within walking distance of village amenities, comprising breakfast kitchen, three reception rooms, conservatory, guest and master bedroom suites, three further bedrooms, family bathroom, detached double garage and rear garden.

£330,000

Gledrid



An end of terrace cottage within walking distance of the Canal, renovated to a high standard comprising; dining kitchen, spacious sitting room, three bedrooms, bathroom, off street parking and a side garden.

£159,950

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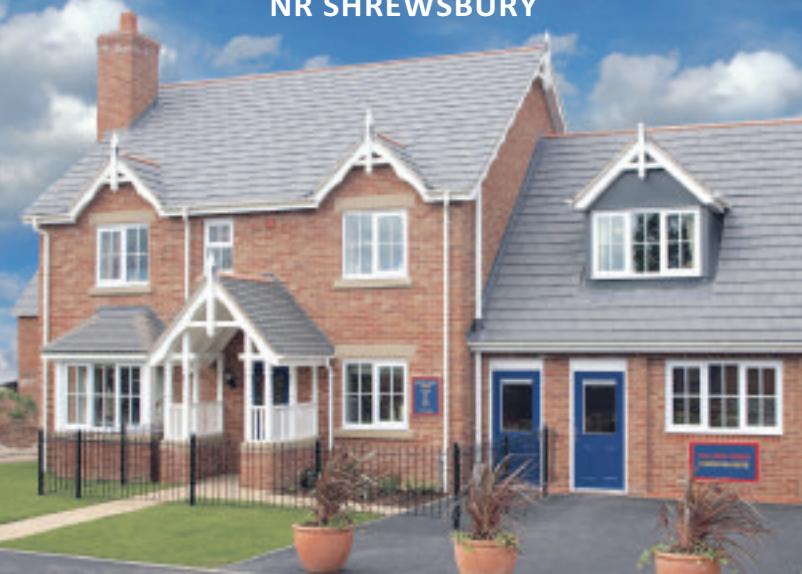


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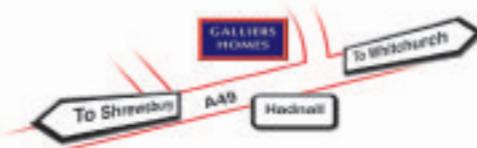
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LILANGOLLEN
Trevor Rd

LOT 1 Guide Price Over £150,000

- 3 bedroom detached cottage in need of some modernisation potential to create a unique family home.
- Elevated position adjacent to the Llangollen Branch of the Shropshire Union Canal.
- Views over Dee Valley.

AUCTION

LILANGOLLEN
Garth

LOT 2 Guide Price £120,000 to £130,000

- Attractive detached 2 bed room cottage offers character and splendid views across the valley.
- Two receptions.
- Kitchen at ground floor.
- First floor bathroom.
- Two bedrooms & a box room.

AUCTION

LILANGOLLEN
Hall Street

LOT 3 Guide Price Over £70,000

- Offers an ideal opportunity for local developers having received planning permission for change of use to 2 dwellings.
- Alternatively the property could be converted into a single dwelling or it could be adapted to accommodate further alternative commercial uses.

AUCTION

Oswestry
Llanfaesdr Ym Mochnant

LOT 4 Guide Price Over £190,000

- Detached House facing SW.
- Extensive range of outbuildings.
- Grounds and pastureland extending to near 1/2 Acre.
- 2 miles from Llanfaesdr.
- Elevated position.
- Sweeping driveway.
- Ideal for further improvement.

AUCTION

WREXHAM
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LOT 5 Guide Price Over £100,000 to £110,000

- 3 bedroom detached bungalow.
- Level plot with parking and garage having double-glazing to windows.
- Oil-fired central heating.
- Situated within 1/2 mile of a wide range of amenities.
- Wrexham town centre lies approximately two miles away.

AUCTION

WEM
Whitchurch Road

LOT 6 Guide Price Over £80,000

- Spacious detached 2 bedroom bungalow.
- Property is in need of some modernisation works.
- Set within good sized gardens.
- Should be of interest to Builders/Developers as well as individuals wishing to create a family home.

AUCTION

WREXHAM
Coedpoeth

LOT 7 Guide Price Over £60,000

- Stone-built semi-detached village property with living room, kitchen, bathroom and bedrooms.
- The accommodation has planning permission for works of a two storey extension including the provision of a car port.
- Has double-glazing & gas CH.
- Parking space and garden.

AUCTION

WREXHAM
Rhosneini

LOT 8 Guide Price £90,000

- Investment opportunity.
- Ground floor flat comprising communal entrance, hallway, lounge, kitchen with modern units, 2 bedrooms + shower rm.
- Currently let on an Assured Shorthold Tenancy.
- Conveniently located for the town centre of Wrexham.
- Communal gardens.

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Ascot Road
Oswestry **£143,950**

- A well positioned & most comfortably appointed Semi-Detached House
- Situated within a popular area convenient to all facilities in the Town
- In superb order throughout Entrance Hall, Sitting Room with bay
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Sun Conservatory, Three Excellent Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom. Double Glazing, gas fired central heating
- Delightful gardens to fore and rear, parking for several cars

NEW

Broomhall Lane
Oswestry **£475,000**

- An Executive Detached Family Home situated on an small private development on the outskirts of Oswestry
- Entrance Hall, Cloaks, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility, Living Room
- Dining Rm, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Rm, Dressing Rm
- Bedrm 2 with En-Suite Bathrm, Bedrm 3 with En-Suite Shower Rm
- Bedrm 4, Family Bathrm, Bedrm 5/currently used as secondary Living Rm
- Bedroom 6/currently used as an Office. Oil C/H. Solar Panels
- Integrated Double Garage. Superb south facing open countryside views

NEW

Monkmoor Road
Oswestry **£135,000**

- A well positioned & comfortably appointed spacious Semi-Detached Bungalow
- Situated in a popular location convenient to the Town
- Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Conservatory
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Double glazing
- Gas fired central heating, easily maintained gardens, Garage

NEW

Henley Close
Oswestry **£124,950**

- A well positioned and most comfortably appointed Mid-Terraced House
- Situated within a popular area convenient to all facilities in the Town
- Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room/Breakfast Room, Kitchen
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Double glazing
- Gas C/H, delightful enclosed gardens to rear, parking for several cars

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• Entrance Hall, Cloaks, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Utility, Living Room

• Dining Rm, Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower Rm, Dressing Rm

• Bedrm 2 with En-Suite Bathrm, Bedrm 3 with En-Suite Shower Rm

• Bedrm 4, Family Bathrm, Bedrm 5/currently used as secondary Living Rm

• Bedroom 6/currently used as an Office. Oil C/H. Solar Panels

• Integrated Double Garage. Superb south facing open countryside views

NEW

Meadowbrook
Gobowen **£92,500**

- A very comfortable and spacious leasehold bungalow
- Hall, Living/Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen with appliances
- Two Excellent Bedrooms, Easy access Bathroom, Separate WC
- Double glazing, electric central heating, charming courtyard garden
- 24 hour audio call system for medical assistance or emergency
- Ready for immediate occupation

SEPARATE ANNEX

Pant-Glas
Oswestry **£320,000**

- Located in delightful surrounding of Pant Glas (meaning Green Hollow)
- The sale offers a superb opportunity to acquire a lovely family home
- Having been carefully and sympathetically restored throughout
- The dwelling itself is set within two thirds of an acre of gardens
- Three bedroome accommodation together with a separate annex
- Rarely available in this location

NEW PRICE - NO CHAIN

Hainwood
Llandrindod Wells **£299,950**

- A most delightful and generous Detached Country Cottage
- With Annex, Barn & Outbuildings. With approx 2.75 Acres
- Large Sitting Rm, Kitchen/Dining Rm with multi stove, Sun Rm
- 2 Beds, Family Bathroom. Fishing rights on the River Severn
- Underfloor heating to the Sitting Room & Kitchen/Dining Room
- Mature gardens & grounds approached over a gravelled driveway
- NO CHAIN

NEW BUILD

Crosswylan Lane
Oswestry **£350,000**

- A Brand New Individual and Spacious Detached Dormer Bungalow
- Oak Framed Entrance Porch, Wide Entrance Hall, Cloakroom
- Sitting Rm, Sunrm, Generously Fitted Kitchen/Dining Rm with Appliances
- Utility/Rear Lobby, G.F. Guest Bedroom, 2 En-Suite Shower Rms
- Luxury Family Bathroom. Gas C/H with underfloor to the ground level
- D/G. Security system. Double Garage, open playing fields to the rear
- Ready for occupation shortly

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WESTON LULLINGFIELDS

Occupying a lovely position with views towards the Shropshire Countryside a spacious 3 bedroom detached bungalow which occupies a prominent position, a full interior viewing is recommended. REception hall, living room, dining room, Breakfast kitchen, utility, cloakroom/w.c., family bathroom, delightful gardens with open farmland to the rear.

Off road parking.

£315,000

MORDA

- A well presented, deceptively spacious
- 4 bed family house
- Ent hall, Cloaks W.C., kitchen/dining room
- Lounge with balcony, master bedroom with ensuite
- NO CHAIN

£167,500

CREW GREEN

A well presented 3 bedroom cottage style detached house located in a small cul de sac position situated midway between Shrewsbury and Oswestry. The property has two reception rooms, breakfast kitchen, cloaks/w.c., good sized bedrooms. Pleasant gardens, parking and Garage

£184,995

MORDA

Occupying a most pleasant position overlooking open fields. A 3 bedroom semi detached house needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Ent hall, Cloaks.w.c., Lounge, Sitting Room, Utility, Breakfast Kitchen, Bathroom. Good sized front and rear gardens with Detached Garage to the rear.

£176,500

Knockin Heath

A well presented 2 bed semi cottage. Situated in a most sought after location

Kitchen/dining room, Lounge, good sized gardens, 3 storage sheds

Off road parking for numerous vehicles

£199,950

LLANFECHAIN

A well presented 3 bedroom detached bungalow located in the popular village of Llanfechain. Situated in a quiet cul de sac position. The property needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Ent hall, Lounge, Breakfast kitchen, inner hall, master bedroom with shower room, bedroom two, bedroom 3/dining room, conservatory, bathroom. Garage and Gardens

£192,500

GOBOWEN

A good sized 1930's semi detached house Briefly comprising, Ent hall, Cloaks w.c., Lounge, Dining Room, Pantry, Kitchen, Bathroom, Gas heating, pleasant gardens, Garage, off road parking

£154,950

OSWESTRY

Situated in one of Oswestry's most sought after locations and sits amongst extensive gardens. Having 4 bedrooms this detached family home needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Briefly comprising, Lounge, Dining Area, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility, Sitting Room/Bedroom 3, shower Room, Family bathroom. Double Garage, ample parking for vehicles, caravan etc.

£375,000

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LLANYMYNECH

A Grade II Listed two bedroom terraced house requiring some upgrading and modernisation located in the popular village of Llanymynech with good local amenities. Briefly comprising, Lounge, inner hall, kitchen, rear lobby, bathroom, cellar, two bedrooms, attic room, small rear enclosed yard with pleasant views.

£104,995

FOUR CROSSES

A well presented 3 bedroom detached house located on the fringe of this popular development in the village of Four Crosses. Briefly comprising, Ent Hall, cloaks.w.c., Lounge, kitchen/dining room, sun room, family bathroom, Garage and pleasant gardens.

£154,995

WESTON LULLINGFIELDS

Beautifully presented, part sandstone 4 bedroom property situated within delightful gardens and overlooking the open Shropshire Countryside. A short distance from the village of Baschurch which provides excellent schooling. Briefly comprising, Reception, dining room, living room, conservatory, kitchen, cloakroom/w.c., master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom, double garage, delightful gardens, Planning Permission granted for a 2 storey extension NO CHAIN

£389,000



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- Modern 4 bed detached house
- 2 Receptions, kitchen and utility
- Gas c/heating & double glazing
- Master en-suite, Fam bathroom
- Enclosed landscaped rear gardens
- Integral single garage

£199,950



- Second Floor Apartment
- Overlooking the town centre
- Master Bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Separate shower room and W.C
- Fitted kitchen with appliances
- On-site secretary

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**Tynewydd, Siloh, Llanfair Caereinion**

- FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION**
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Friday 13th April, 2012 at 7pm prompt at the Cobra Rugby Club, Meifod, Powys
- Cottage Smallholding
 - Extending to 7.5 Acres
 - Lounge with inglenook, Kitchen/Dining
 - 1 Bed, Bathroom, Dressing Room
 - Outbuildings inc Two Barn
 - Room to extend subject to planning



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23 Delfan, Pant, Oswestry

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- Good sized garden & outstanding views
- Spacious 3 bedroom accommodation
- Oil-fired C/H & hardwood DG, Kitchen
- En-Suite, Fam Bathroom & double garage
- Attractive triple aspect lounge, Utility
- Substantial paved patio adjoining rear

£325,000



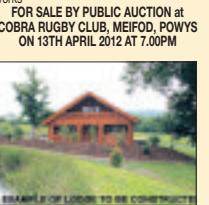
Delfryn, Geuffordd, Guilsfield
£239,950

- Det Bungalow in Semi-Rural Location
- Sitting Room with woodburner, Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Oil and solid fuel heating, D/Glazed
- Veg Garden, lawn, further amenity area
- Purpose built Stable Block
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**GUIDE PRICE: £200,000****Bryn-y-Castell, Gobowen**

- Substantial double fronted house
- 2 large receptions with feature fireplaces
- Fitted kitchen with solid-fuel Aga
- 4 Bedrooms, en-suite & fam bathroom
- Double glazing & gas central heating
- Close to the local village amenities

£229,995



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23 Cross Likey, Churchstoke
£120,000

- Mid Terrace House in village location
- Ent Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Dining Room
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Spacious accommodation, D/G, Oil C.H.
- Ample Parking, Rear Garden
- Good Village Amenities
- 10 miles Welshpool, 12 miles Newtown, 25 miles Shrewsbury

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Tregastell, Aberhafesp, Nr Newtown

- An impressive Georgian Residence
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- Standing in over 1 acres of gardens & grounds
- Useful Garaging & Workshop
- Enjoying uninterrupted views over the River Severn & surrounding countryside

**£520,000****7 Heulwen Way, Welshpool**

- Modern Detached House
- Situated in cul-de-sac
- Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Area
- Utility, sep WC, Gas C/H, D/G
- 3 Beds, En-suite), Fam Bath-room
- Off Road Parking, Single Garage
- Enclosed rear garden
- Convenient for amenities

£185,000



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**Parc-y-Rhiw, Rhiewhiriaeth
Llanfair Caereinion**
£325,000

- Smallholding extended to 9.5 Acres
- 2 Receptions, Kitchen with Rayburn
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gardens
- Requires modern refurbishment
- Ample outbuildings for livestock/storage
- Rural location with views

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**Min Y Ddol, Bettws Cedewain, Nr Newtown**

- Individually Designed Detached House
- Situated on the edge of the Village
- Views to the rear of open pasture land
- UPVC D/Glazed, Oil C.H., Woodburner
- Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Sep WC
- 4 Bedrooms, En Suite & Fam Bathroom
- Integral Garage, Front & Rear Lawn

**£255,000**

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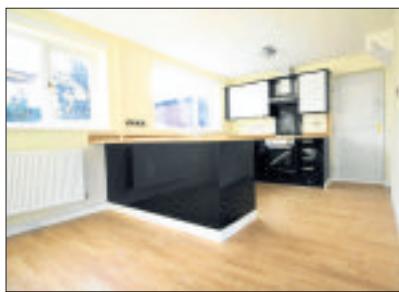
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PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK**Substantial village home has lovely countryside views**

Alderlea, Perry Bank, Hengoed, is set in a lovely semi-rural location in a cul-de-sac of four properties. This four-bedroom detached home features views over open countryside to the rear and comprises a dining kitchen with utility and cloakroom off, conservatory, dining room, lounge, master bedroom ensuite, three further bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, garage, parking, oil-fired central heating and double glazing. Agents Halls are seeking offers around £244,950.

For further information please contact Halls on 01691 670320 or visit www.hallsgb.com

**Improved semi for sale with no upward chain**

Offers in the region of £124,950 are invited for 3 Crogen, Chirk, which is on the market with no upward chain. This three-bedroom semi-detached house includes a kitchen/diner, gas-fired central heating, PVC double glazing and off-road parking.

To the side of the property is an outside security light. There is also access to the detached garage and a pathway which leads to the enclosed rear garden.

For further information please contact Woodhead Estates on 01691 680044 or visit www.woodheadestates.com

**Smartly presented bungalow backs on to open fields**

An attractive detached bungalow which backs on to open fields is on the market for £172,500. Number 23 Old Maps Way, Morda, comprises an entrance hall, two double bedrooms, modern shower room, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room and conservatory. There is a garage, double width driveway and well kept rear garden. Located on the outskirts of Morda on a small development, the property has all local amenities close at hand and is only half a mile from Oswestry town centre.

For further information please contact Town & Country on 01691 679631 or visit www.townandcountryoswestry.com

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PROPERTIES OF THE WEEK



Detached property includes garage and large conservatory

This detached bungalow is set in a good garden plot at number 15 Springfield Gardens, West Felton. Priced at offers around £215,000, the accommodation comprises a lounge, fitted kitchen/diner, large rear conservatory, two bedrooms, fitted bathroom, attached single garage and detached garage/workshop. The home also benefits from LPG central heating and double glazing, and is close to local village amenities.

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Former chapel set in a lovely position on fringe of hamlet

Longwood, Groes-Lwyd, Welshpool, is on the market with a guide price of £278,000. The detached former chapel has been converted and extended to provide a spacious four/five bedroom house with parking and integral garage. Standing on the edge of the hamlet within easy walking distance of a convenience store and bus route, the home comprises an entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, living room, ground floor cloakroom, four fitted double bedrooms and bathroom. There are separate stairs to an office/bedroom 5 over the garage with utility area.

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Two-bedroom dwelling has been tastefully modernised

An immaculately presented semi-detached bungalow, 28 Offa, Lodgevale Park, Chirk, has lovely views to the rear and is priced at offers around £137,500. The property has been updated by the current owners to provide a lovely home. Warmed by gas-fired central heating and benefiting from double glazing and cavity wall insulation, the accommodation comprises a reception hall, lounge, conservatory, kitchen, two double bedrooms, garage, gardens and parking.

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- Three Bedrooms
- Parking for 2 Vehicles
- Modern Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating

£114,950

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- Llansantffraid, 2 Bed Detached Cottage £550 p.c.m.
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Funeral Service at Emstrey Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Thursday, March 29, at 1pm.

Family flowers only by request please but donations for the Severn Hospice (Telford) are being gratefully received, for which purpose a collection box will be provided at the Crematorium.

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Acknowledgements**JONES**
Ellen

Tony and Carol would like to thank everyone that attended the Service to say goodbye to Mum, for the many cards and letters and for the support of Neighbours and her many Friends.

Sincere thanks to Marie the flowers were perfect, to Elizabeth, for a most fitting personal tribute, to Laura, for leading the Service, to Mary, for playing the organ, to Glynys, for many things including the Bell Ringers and to Stuart, Chris, Richard and Steven for carrying Mum with such dignity.

To all the Staff, past and present, for the care they gave to Mum during her stay at Oldbury Grange and to Nett, Jean, Dave and the Staff at C.S.C.C.

Finally, thank you for your generous donations to The Lychgate Fund, totalling £1,595, to date.

**PERKINS****Brian James**

Ruby and Family wish to express their thanks to all Relatives and Neighbours for the cards and messages of sympathy on the sad loss of Brian.

Special thanks to Phil Niblock for conducting such a comforting Service, thanks also to Adrian Struve for his reading.

Donations of £375 were received for Hope House.

Thank you everyone.

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Thursday, March 22, 2012 **Oswestry & Border Chronicle****NEWS****Pupils on air to raise charity cash**

HUNDREDS OF pounds was raised for charity when Shropshire school pupils became DJs for the day.

Heart FM visited Oswestry's Marches School to hold radio presenting workshops as part of the radio group's Have a Heart Appeal week and £692 was raised for Chidline.

Although the workshops were not broadcast live, a recording of the day was taken by Heart FM and can be found on YouTube.

Operating out of the school library,

the mobile studio tour provided students with the opportunity to take on important roles within a radio station.

Students became presenters, news researchers and weather reporters, whilst others performed songs in a 'live lounge' setting.

Throughout the day, the Heart FM team covered a multitude of topics including current national and international news stories, weather forecasts, school trips, the importance of learning Shakespeare in English,

careers and aspirations. Students were required to research stories, plan out interview questions, manage their time effectively and take part in interviews and debates in an 'on-air' type setting.

Students also got to meet Richard Straffon, Drive Time presenter on Heart FM 103.4, who spoke about his life as a radio presenter and provided them with some top tips.

He said: "It's been great to come along to The Marches School."

Worker jailed over theft of shop tools

by Graham Breeze

A TOOL hire employee who stole thousands of pounds of equipment to sell on eBay has been jailed.

Gareth Evan Jones, 37, of Aston Way in Oswestry, took £4,039 equipment including a power saw, diamond cutting disc and mower blade from Griffiths Hire Shop over three years between November 1 2008 and November 10 last year. He then sold them online under an account named

Mucky Pup Engineer, Shrewsbury Magistrates Court heard.

Jones, who had admitted a charge of theft of various plant, machinery and equipment valued at more than £4,000 at an earlier hearing, was jailed for 18 weeks.

The court heard Jones, who was a 'trusted member of staff' who had worked at the firm for 10 years, had taken the tools from the company's Wrexham store where he worked.

Suspicious

His activities were eventually exposed when one of the firm's directors Paul Griffith found the eBay account and became suspicious of Jones.

Mr John Barnett, prosecuting, said Mr Griffith had discovered the account in November last year.

He said: "He suspected a large proportion offered for sale had been stolen from the company. On November 9 he reported the matter to the police."

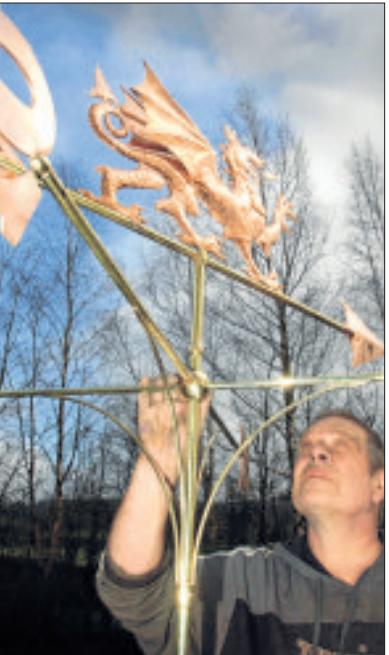
The court heard Jones was arrested and he admitted taking the items at an interview. When his house was searched £797 of tools were recovered.

Mrs Ceri Lewis, for Jones, said he accepted his behaviour was totally unacceptable and recognised the impact on his ex-colleagues.

She said he had suffered financial problems and had been facing the repossession of his house.

Mrs Diana Foster, chairman of the bench, said: "It was a sustained effort over a period of three years. You, Jones, were in breach of trust."

No order for costs was made.

Dragon flies to US

Stan Jankowski with the weather vane.

A FOUR FOOT Welsh dragon flew to America last week because of a couple's love of the nationality.

Stan Jankowski from Lake Vyrnwy has spent weeks making a Welsh dragon weather vane, after a couple from North Carolina approached him.

The 59-year-old who runs Jankowski Weather vanes, at Llanerfyl, said it had taken him three weeks to complete.

He said: "I have a business website and was approached some months back by a couple from North Carolina who wanted me to make them a Welsh dragon weather vane. I've never made one as big as this before - the arrow is four feet long and the dragon about two feet. The couple told me they wanted it because they just love the Welsh dragon and the Welsh culture and wanted it for their home."

"I've now started working on a three foot trout weather vane for a house in Somerset - I have a lot of strange requests but I've met some amazing people from doing what I do over the years."

Leader of council is latest to suffer heating oil theft**Jail term for drunken man**

A DRUNKEN man headbutted a police van and told a police constable 'it could have been you', a court has heard.

Matthew Rogers, 29, of Swan Lane in Oswestry, made the threat after being arrested in the town on August 30 last year.

He admitted a charge of resisting a constable in the execution of his duty when he appeared at Shrewsbury Magistrates Court yesterday. He was jailed for seven days, to be served concurrently with an eight month sentence he is already serving.

THIEVES stole £350 of heating oil from a domestic tank belonging to the leader of Shropshire Council - just weeks after his wife warned other residents in Oswestry to be vigilant against such raids.

Shropshire Councillor Joyce Barrow, wife of council leader Councillor Keith Barrow, said their home was just one of several in and around the village of Trefonen, near Oswestry, which have been targeted by the fuel thieves.

She urged residents to look at how they can upgrade security around their homes to deter the thieves.

Councillor Barrow said: "I am furious this has happened. There had been a spate of them a few months back and it was brought

up at one of our Oswestry Rural Parish Council meetings.

"I even went on Facebook recently warning people to be careful of these thefts in the Trefonen area. Now we have had our oil stolen."

"We had it filled on February 28 with £700 of oil but the other day I noticed the gauge was only half way up. I had a look and found that half of it had been stolen."

Police have issued advice on how to protect against heating oil thefts.

The advice includes checking oil levels frequently, arranging smaller but more frequent oil deliveries and installing automatic movement sensor security lighting around the tank.

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FEATURES & NEWS**School in plans to expand classroom**

AN OSWESTRY pre-prep school has lodged plans to renovate its premises to make room for more pupils.

Bellan House School is seeking listed building consent from Shropshire Council for the work at its premises on Church Street.

The independent school is housed in a Grade II listed building and it wants permission to remove part of a wall to form a larger classroom.

A report accompanying the application said Bellan House was Oswestry School's pre-prep department for pupils aged five to 10. The report said: "There is a need to find accommodation in Bellan House for an additional year group, which is being moved from the senior school due to its expansion of pupil numbers."

"Accordingly, a classroom large enough to fit approximately 20 Year six pupils is needed."

A decision on the application is due by May 10.

Places available

PLACES ARE available at Oswestry Methodist Pre-School for children after Easter and in September. The Pre-School opens during term time between 9am and 3pm with an early drop-off available at 8.30am. More information is available from 07766328031.

DOWN YOUR STREET

with Ben Bentley

NEXT TIME Justin Morgan turns out on the paintball battlefield, rivals beware.

Justin, you see, has a secret weapon – he has built his very own tank.

"I used to be an avid paintballer but unfortunately I have developed a heart defect which means I can't gallivant around like I used to," says the 49-year-old carer who lives in Langland Road, Oswestry, where he looks after his disabled wife and disabled son.

"A mate of mine said why don't you get a golf buggy and bolt armour to it. Well, I'd be a sitting target, so I said if I am going to make a tank, I'm going to make a proper tank."

Secret

And so he has. Almost finished after two years of construction, Justin unveils his secret weapon, based on a World War II Mark IV Panzer, built on the chassis of a sit-down lawnmower with a body made from plywood, and completed in faithfully reconstructed camouflage.

"I like tanks!" he says, standing back to admire his handiwork. Come the summer he'll be in the tank trundling across the battlefield at the Outpost Paintball at Lower Kinneerton near Wrexham.

"I can't wait to get it going," he continues. "I'm going to say, do you remember two years ago when you guys said why don't you build a tank..."

Justin will also take his 'armoured' vehicle to extreme paintball competitions. He takes part in themed events such as paintball Star Wars, Stargate and even Zombie Apocalypse, a sort of paint-



Justin Morgan has built a scale model of a Mark IV Panzer tank.



Langland Road

balling British Bulldog where players are progressively turned into zombies and the last man standing wins. Eek!

From a wild life to wildlife... I notice Langland Road is a bit of a haven for birds. A raven sits in the middle of the road and a porky pigeon perches itself high on a lamppost to survey the scene.

If I was a bird, I'd certainly consider Langland Road as a place to live. Not least because over the road wildlife enthusiasts Danny and Gloria Hanrahan

are topping up supplies on their bird tables as spring starts to see the return of some familiar 'customers'.

"That's what we call them – customers," says Gloria, as Danny replenishes the table with seed. Their regulars include two pairs of doves, greenfinch, pigeons, 'some unusual birds we don't yet know the name of', and a blackbird with a white spot on its wing.

They are also quite pleased with the DIY work of the pigeons who, by way of



Danny and Gloria Hanrahan.



Terry Owen, of the Unicorn pub.



A view of Langland Road in Oswestry.

recompense for grub, clean out their guttering. "They sick the moss out of the guttering and it ends up down on the path here," explains Gloria.

Certainly Danny and Gloria, who are kept busy looking after their three grandchildren, are happy with life on Langland Road. They have lived here since 1968 and married for 51 years. "And my mother said it would never last," jokes Danny.

Terry Owen, the landlord of the Uni-

corn pub, which backs onto the street, says he is pretty happy too. And, with pubs facing hard times right now, you don't hear pub landlords say that very often these days.

It's been 15 months since he took on the pub and he has worked to make it more of a community-based hostel.

"A lot of people who had not been here in a couple of years have started coming back and have been pleasantly surprised," Terry said.

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NEWS**Hopes of developer funded windfall**

OSWESTRY could be in line for a major windfall with substantial sums of housing money to spend on vital improvements in and around the town over the coming years, the town's mayor has said.

A new Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) has been imposed on developers who now have to pay a set sum for every square metre of dwelling they build.

With the south east of Oswestry earmarked for up to 750 homes, Councillor Cynthia Hawksley said it would lead to funds to pour into projects for the good of the town.

Councillor Hawksley said the priorities for the town would be set out by the Oswestry Place Plan, one of 18 based around the market towns of Shropshire.

Ideas already mooted included road improvements and allotments.

She added: "During the next 12 months we wish to consult as widely as possible to ensure our infrastructure priorities are included for the future."

"We must recognise the significant expansion of Oswestry that is programmed for the south east and the potential large sums of external funds that this will generate. We need to ensure a holistic approach is taken to providing open space at developments."

Campaigners urge people to have say on developments

A RURAL campaign group has urged people to join in consultation over plans for hundreds of new homes in and around Oswestry.

The Campaign to Protect Rural England says a draft planning document produced by Shropshire Council holds the key to the future of villages and the countryside in the area.

The SAMDev document – Site Allocations and Management of Development – looks at the future planning for Oswestry, the community hubs of Gobowen, Kinnerley, Knockin, Llanymynech and Pant, Ruyton-XI-Towns, St Martins and Whittington and smaller, community clusters.

by Graham Breeze

Council posts for the young

IF YOU are aged between 15-25 and have a genuine care and concern for Welshpool you could become a councillor.

Last December, Owen Bass was appointed as a youth representative to the town council.

This has seen him work alongside the elected councillors who are now approaching the end of their term in office.

But the town council is able to appoint a second youth representative and is welcoming applications now.

Town clerk Robert Robinson explained: "Applicants must be aged between 15-25 years and live within the Welshpool Town Council area.

"They must be able to commit to two Wednesday evenings per month."

Those interested will be asked to make a two-minute presentation to the council on a chosen subject.

Applications can be made via the website www.wtcouncil@btinternet.com.

It sets out preferred options for development, up to 2026, ranging from a proposal for 750 homes and for business land in eastern Oswestry to up to 15 homes in Knockin and the same number in Ruyton-XI-Towns.

Consultation on the document, which suggests development sites, will run for the next three months.

Mike Bullen from Oswestry CPRE said: "It is so important that people look at the document and comment on it if they feel there should be changes. It is still at the draft stage and it is not too late to influence the future of the countryside."

Preferred

"This is our future and, while this document is the council's preferred option, it has to take account of opinions that come out of the consultation."

He criticised the emphasis on on-line consultation, with Shropshire Council asking people to use online questionnaires available at www.shropshire.gov.uk/samdev

A spokesman for Shropshire Council said the document was available on Shropshire Council's website and also at libraries and customer information points, at Shropshire Council offices and at parish and town council offices where possible.

If people cannot access these online questionnaires at home, they can use computers at their local library or call the council's customer service centre on 0345 678 9000.

Mark leads way at pre-school



Mark Nickless working with children, left to right, Ryan Clavin, three, Anya Smedley, three, Toby Jones, four, and Eve Duncalf, four.

AS BRITAIN debates the need for children to have male role models, one preschool manager in Shropshire is leading the way.

Mark Nickless has become the manager of the Oswestry Methodist Church pre-school, after seven years as one of only a few men working in nurseries across the county. And he has helped to recruit one of the dads to volunteer at the pre-school.

He was promoted to manager after a year as a senior assistant and then deputy manager and is now responsible for 40 children and five other members of staff. He said: "I always wanted to do this job. I worked with children in my work experience from school and then went to work at the Opportunities nursery in Shrewsbury.

"Having the role of manager means that as well as having a 'hands-on' role with the children I am also responsible for staffing and managing the nursery."

The pre-school has spaces available for children between the ages of two and five after Easter and in September.

A JOUSTING and horseback stunt spectacular will launch a new adventure attraction on the Shropshire/Powys border on March 25.

The Jousting Show and Open Day will be held on Sunday at Four Crosses Adventure Centre on Domsey Road in Four Crosses, near Oswestry.

The Centre of Horseback Combat, the only dedicated centre for Horseback Archery and Jousting tuition in the UK, recently relocated to the Shropshire border.

Mark Johannsen from the centre, which also offers a variety of motor sports, shooting and Canadian canoeing, said: "Members of the public, riders and non-riders alike, can learn the thrill of galloping horses and adrenaline in these exciting sports on horseback."

"The sport of Horseback Archery is real and competitive. The UK does not have a historical tradition of horseback archery, but most other countries do - in Eastern countries such as Korea and Japan where stadia are devoted to the sport and we hope to host international matches here at Four Crosses."

Tickets for the event cost £5 or £2.50 for under-12s with under-fives admitted free of charge. The doors will open at 3pm.



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Events to promote chance of tourism

A PROGRAMME to help businesses on both sides of the Shropshire/Mid Wales border make the most of tourism opportunities from mountain biking has been launched.

Free events are being organised by the European Regional Development Fund through the Welsh Government to let businesses know how they can capitalise on the sport.

The programme includes information about up and coming developments, benefits to tourism businesses, examples of what works from elsewhere and developing transport links to businesses.

One of the information events was due to be held today (Thursday) at Llangollen near Oswestry at the town's pavilion.

Guest speaker Graeme McLaren, project manager with Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland, was due to share his experience about what works and where the sector is going to in the future.

A free guide, Mountain Biking Tourism in Wales – is your business up to gear, is also now available.

The mountain biking sector is worth more than £24 million pounds to Wales every year, the Government has claimed.

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Mary's zest for life remains just as strong at age of 101

SHE IS ONE of Shropshire's oldest citizens. But 101-year-old Mary Garside has an outlook on life that would shame many people half her age.

She has a zest for life that saw her try out a quad bike only last year, at the age of 100, and she carries herself with a poise and elegance that helps to make her look decades younger than her years.

Mrs Garside still lives independently at her home in Oswestry, although she is the first to thank her relatives, friends and neighbours, who visit regularly and ensure she wants for nothing.

She was born in Pant in 1911, the eldest of seven children. But she grew up in the rural area of Knockin.

One of her first memories was the ending of the first world war.

"My grandparents ran the village post office and were the only ones to have a telephone in the village. They were told the news that war had ended and I was sent out in the street to tell everyone. I ran out with my important job – and the streets were empty."

Scholarship

The determination which has been with Mrs Garside her whole life has been with her from a very early age.

At the age of 10 she won a scholarship to Oswestry Grammar School, a good seven miles away on country roads.

Yet, the young Mary was so keen to realise her dream of becoming a teacher she biked to and from school every day, in all weathers.

Her perseverance paid off and she qualified as a teacher.

Her first teaching post was in one of the most deprived areas of the city of Liverpool. "It was quite different from Shropshire," she said. "The children had a lot of troubles but I really enjoyed it."

In fact, when the second world war broke out she volunteered to help evacuate the children from her school – and others – to the countryside.

WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE

with Chrissy Symmons

After the war, she moved back to Shropshire and became a teacher at Bickton School near Shrewsbury. She lived in the schoolhouse with her husband, Norris.

She returned to the Oswestry area to teach at the National School in Welsh Walls, leaving when her two daughters were born but later returning to work.

She still takes a great interest in young people, whether her own five grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren or the youth of Oswestry in general. For her 100th birthday she donated almost £200 given in lieu of presents to Oswestry Youth Cafe and was given honorary membership.

Her zest for life means she is still a member of many of Oswestry's organisations, including Probus, the Townswomen's Guild and a local bowling club. She continued to drive until she was 94.

She said the biggest changes she had seen had been the introduction of television and changes in travel – now very different from the backpacking she did as a young woman.



Mary Garside celebrating her 101st birthday.

Plans are made for attractions at show

AN ARRAY of performers and entertainers has been booked for this year's Llanfechain Show.

Organisers say plans are already underway for the event, which will take place on August 27.

Kaleidoscope Theatre is returning again with its popular mime performances. New this year are Whalebone who will liven everything up with their own particular style of rootsy, funky music.

Villager June Rowe said: "All the old favourites are still coming, including Jack Green the Jester and team with Rhythm Maker providing the beat and Close Encounters of the Feathered Kind."

"Look out for details of old favourites and new attractions as the date gets nearer."

"The competitions are still a vital part of the show and to give competitors a head start the craft, art and photography classes have already been decided."

"For the horticulturists now the weather is warming up, don't forget to plant your potato in a bucket for the most weight in a three gallon bucket."

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FEATURES & NEWS

Footpath clean-up team is thanked

OFFENDERS working on Community Pay Back schemes have been thanked for helping give footpaths around Oswestry a spring clean.

Shropshire Council's street scene team is working with the Probation Service's Community Pay Back team to clean up some overgrown footpaths in the Oswestry area.

Since January 2012, the Community Pay Back Team has cleared more than 200 metres of footpaths that were overgrown with weeds, dirt, litter and leaves.

The latest one to be restored is on Henlle Lane in Gobowen.

The council's highways team is also helping out by taking away the waste.

Councillor Martin Bennett, Shropshire Council's deputy cabinet member with responsibility for street scene, said: "The Community Pay Back team have done a fantastic job clearing these paths ready for the warmer weather."

Trevor Davies, a Shropshire Councillor for Gobowen, Selattyn and Weston Rhyn, said: "I would like to thank the Pay Back team for a job well done."

"I hope we will work with them again next year."

The Community Pay Back team also cleans shop fronts in Oswestry for the Footfall Project once a month.

Stealthy approach pays off when birds appear in 'binos'

ON THE WILD SIDE
with
Ben Waddams



ISN'T it surprising what pops into view through one's binoculars?

Traditionally they are used by navigators of all modes, theatre goers and visitors to sporting events but just as one can get more enjoyment from Ladies' Day at Cheltenham Gold Cup with a pair of 'binos', so can the avid naturalist.

Always like to get as close to my subjects as I can, indeed, being a wildlife artist, it is very important to do so. But binoculars can help in your satisfaction of that particularly skittish animal or (more likely in my case) snatching the last glimpse of its backside as it gallops, lolllops, sprints or otherwise wings its way away in the opposite direction to yourself.

There's a rather lovely sunken lane near my home, hemmed in on both sides by hawthorn and blackthorn. It twists and winds its way around the fields for a mile or so and I've discovered a wealth of wildlife along its course. However, you have to be sneaky.

Because you're forever suddenly appearing around bends, any creature in the lane ahead or in the hedges, immediately 'takes flight' at your presence. No, to stand any success, one must creep up to a corner, binoculars in hand and very slowly edge their way partially around the bend, scanning every foot of new ground as they do so.

Note: this method does not work if you're intention is to appear same to anyone in the vicinity, or if you are a dog owner.

There was an occasion the other day when this technique appeared to work however and as I scanned the top of a recently bashed hedge (why DO people do that? Just think, every tree you see in a hedge is an old oak and that's because every other one has been slashed off just as they get into a



Reed bunting by Ben Waddams.

growing rhythm) a small, exquisitely patterned bird popped up and sat, very obligingly, for a few seconds until the aforementioned mutt burst onto the scene.

It was not unlike a female house sparrow and yet it exhibited a gorgeous dappled chestnut plumaged, literally capped off with a brown crown and a brilliant white moustache.

I must confess, as I'm still happily checking off individuals from my *Collins Complete British Birds*, I've never seen a reed bunting before, but it's fast becoming a favourite; sorry, a 'much admired' creature.

In the winter, the male and female look rather similar, but as we edge our way gingerly into spring, the male suddenly becomes bold, striking and strident in his call. Again, along

a similar length of hedgerow, I was yesterday rewarded with another reed bunting, but this time it was Him.

By the way, don't let the name confuse you. As my finger rested on 'reed bunting' in the handbook, I couldn't help but doubt my sighting.

There was not a reed in sight, nor was there one for several miles, but this, it turns out, does not matter. After all, who cares or even thinks about scientific nomenclature when they're staring at such a sight as a pair of reed buntings through their binoculars?

Ben's wildlife art can be seen at The Gallery Tearooms and the Art Framing Gallery, both in Shrewsbury.

College students on visit to force

A CLOSE UP look at the helicopter which polices Shropshire's skies and a demonstration of police firearms, Taser guns and baton guns was enjoyed by a group of college students.

The students from Walford and North Shropshire College in Oswestry learned more about the techniques used to keep Shropshire safe when they visited West Mercia Police's force headquarters at Hindlip Hall, Worcester.

The students, who are all studying an extended public services diploma, visited the firearms school at police HQ.

They learned about police firearms training, including the use of less lethal options such as the Taser and baton guns.

At this point the group received an unexpected bonus when the police helicopter from the Central Counties Air Operations Unit dropped in to the HQ.

As well as being able to take a close look over the helicopter they were given an impromptu talk about the work of this unit.

They visited the dog section and the Roads Policing Unit.

And the group visited the force control room and enjoyed a whistle stop tour of the forensics department where they watched fingerprint experts and laboratory staff at work.



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NOSTALGIA & NEWS**Alarm call to tackle blockage at culvert**

CALLS HAVE been made for a traditional alarm to be brought back to warn residents in a town on the Shropshire/Mid/Wales border when a culvert has become blocked.

The alarm for Abel Brook, which is piped under the town centre, has been replaced in recent years with an electronic version that alerts Powys County Council emergency staff.

But earlier this year businesses and homes found themselves under a foot of water after the culvert became blocked and the brook flooded.

Officials from Powys County Council were due to attend a meeting of Llanyfelin Town Council last night (Wednesday) to discuss an action plan for the brook. And some residents have called for the return of the old alarm.

Powys County Council's land drainage manager Graham Astley and local operations manager Keith Rowe were due to attend.

Other issues due to be discussed included the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Easter bingo

THE FRIENDS of Llanfair Caereinion Primary School will be holding a fundraising Easter bingo on March 29 in the school hall at 6.30pm.

by Toby Neal

YOU'LL HAVE heard about John 'Two Jags' Prescott, the nickname bestowed, much to his irritation, on the former deputy prime minister.

But have you heard about 'Two Mayors' Oswestry?

Until only a short while ago with the advent of the new Shropshire Council, Oswestry was in the rare and unusual position of having two mayors.

And if you think that it might have led to any rivalry or confusion, you should perish the thought. As if!

A dip into our cuttings archive reveals how it all came about.

"Oswestry will find itself in the unique position next April of having two mayors," it was reported on October 30, 1973.

"The Queen has granted the new district council its charter. The authority will be called the Council for the Borough of Oswestry and its chairman and vice-chairman will be known as mayor and deputy mayor. The existing rural borough council next year becomes a town council and it too is entitled to call its chairman 'mayor'."

Councils

The move created the conditions for a sort of civil war in Oswestry between the embryonic new district council, and the old stalwarts from the borough council. At one point the two councils were refusing to talk to each other about the issue.

Who had the right to have the 'real' mayor? How would they stand in respective statuses?



From left Shrewsbury Mayor Reg Jones, Oswestry Borough Mayor Owen Jones and Oswestry Town Mayor Gareth Jones.

One rural councillor, Councillor T.M. Francis, said people thought it would be an 'absolute farce' to have two mayors in the town. He thought it would only last six months before people realised it was not in the borough's best interests.

The mayor in office in 1973, Councillor John Cassin, said: "It will be confusing, and this is something that has got to be sorted out between the mayors."

Meanwhile, on the new district council, there were also reservations. Councillor



Momentous events in Oswestry were just around the corner when this picture was taken of the 1972 mayor making. Councillor John Cassin is receiving the chain of office from outgoing mayor Mrs Kathleen Roberts, with town clerk Ron Peart looking on.

Peter Johnson said there had been a borough council mayor for 300 years and the move to have one for the new district council would create a 'pantomime mayor'.

Anyway, it all came about and Oswestry got two mayors.

"There was always a bit of rivalry," one Oswestry local government observer tells me.

"A lot of the town mayors have been borough mayor, and vice versa – they would be town mayor one year, and five or six years

down the line would be borough mayor. Town people got very irate and said that theirs was the proper mayor. One year we had two Joneses – Owen Jones was the borough mayor, and Gareth Jones was the town mayor."

During their year the two Joneses pledged to work together and heal the rift with the councils, calling for an end to the bickering.

Now some sort of normalcy has been restored, with Oswestry back to just one mayor.

Scheme seeking sporty helpers

SPORTS BOSSES in Oswestry are urging people to get involved in a new programme to recruit community volunteers.

The Sport Makers scheme aims to make it easy for people to help make sport happen in their area whether it is helping out at their local club, setting up sport in their local community or helping out at events.

Susie Hancock, secretary of Oswestry and District Sports Council, said: "Sport Makers is fully inclusive and is aiming to use the inspirational pull of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games in order to attract people like you to become a major part of the Games legacy."

"Find out more about Sport Makers and be part of the London 2012 legacy with a special Knowledge and Nosh session at Lord Hill Hotel, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury on April 19 from 8:30am to 10:30am."

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Dance film debut

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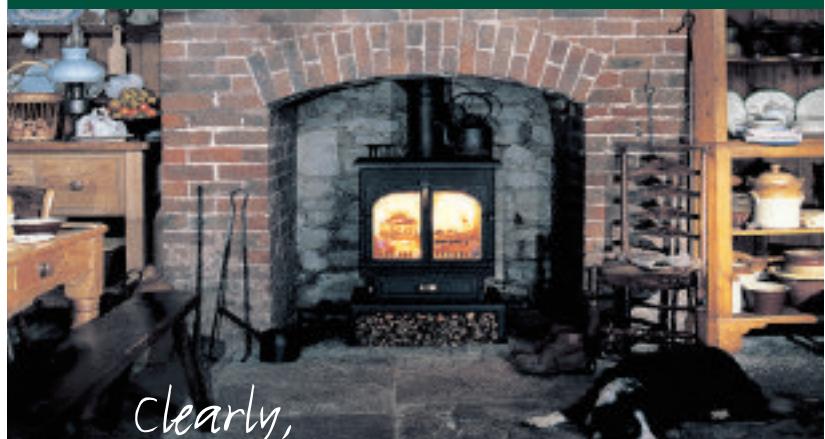
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ARTS & GIG GUIDE

Ensemble is marking its anniversary with concerts

by Graham Breeze

BRITAIN'S longest running chamber music ensemble will celebrate 40 years of hosting a Welsh border festival this summer.

The Allegri string quartet, formed in 1953 by violinist Eli Goree and cellist, William Pleeth, has been playing to audiences in St Myllin's Church since 1972 after then member Bruno Schrecker, bought a holiday home in Llanfyllin.

The early concerts he held grew into the Llanfyllin Festival.

This year there will be three chamber concerts at St Myllin's Church in Llanfyllin, on July 14, 20 and 22. They will feature works by Beethoven, Shostakovich, Anthony Payne, Hadyn, Mozart and Brahms.

The current members of the quartet are violinists Ofer Falik and Rafael Todes, Dorothy Vogel on viola and Vanessa Lucas-Smith on violoncello.

During the concert on July 22 the quartet will be joined by Stephanie Gonley, leader of the English Chamber Orchestra for two pieces for quintets.

Tickets for the concerts will be £15 and £14 concessions or £13 for early bird tickets. There will be a 10 per cent discount for those booking all three concerts.

Tickets will be available from wegottickets.com, via a link from the festival website, from Llanfyllin Festival ticket sales, Farthings, Fox Lane, West Felton, Oswestry SY11 4JU, by telephone, or from Theatre Hafren in Newtown.

This year the festival will be holding a pre-concert exhibition to coincide with the first of the Allegri concert performances in Llanfyllin on July 14.

Getting set for Godspell



IN rehearsals for Godspell at The Marches School and Technology College in Oswestry are Katie Smethurst, 14, as Sonia, front, with back left to right Leila Brown, 14, as Joanne and Molly Birch, 15, as Peggy.

Poetry treat for residents

POETRY AND prose was read to their guests from the town library. The event was organised by staff from Shropshire libraries as part of the Time to Listen programme.

Librarians visited Fairholme care home, in Morda Road, to hold readings of poems and short stories.

A dozen residents enjoyed listening to readings from Pam Ayres, Alan Bennett and Nigel Slater before sharing afternoon tea with

their guests from the town library.

The event was organised by staff from Shropshire libraries as part of the Time to Listen programme.

Kath George, from Shropshire libraries, said: "It is so important for older people with limited eyesight or dementia to still have access to literature and one of the best ways to achieve this is to read to them."

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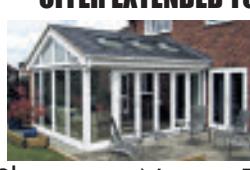
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Tribute pair present folk duo's best hits

**GIG
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with Chrissy Symmons



MRS ROBINSON, A Bridge Over Troubled Waters and I am a Rock are just some of the hits made famous by Simon and Garfunkel.

Tonight these tunes, made famous by the well-known group, will be sung by tribute group The Sounds of Simon when it arrives at The Ironworks in Oswestry.

The duo normally takes its act to large theatres with a full band but has decided to bring its Old Friends Duo Tour to the intimate surroundings of the town venue.

With an 8pm start the show will cover all the early classics as well as the seldom heard classics like A Poem on the Underground Wall and A Most Peculiar Man.

Ben Bowden, who plays Paul and has featured on BBC's The One Show, said: "We're really looking forward to bringing our new duo show to The Ironworks. It's a great venue."

During the night there will also be a short set of Ben and Steve's original material. Tickets cost £8 in advance or £10 on the door.

Tomorrow, Friday, Mike Holloway will be performing at Marton's Lowfield Inn, near Welshpool.

From 8.30pm the one man band will be bringing a range of tunes from soft



Ben Bowden and Steve Green appearing in Oswestry.

acoustic ballads to dance floor fillers. There will also be songs from Hendrix, The Stones, Beatles, Animals and Crowded House.

Also tomorrow at St John the Baptist Church in Whittington, near Oswestry, cellist James Barralet and pianist Simon Callaghan will be performing.

The professional musicians will be playing a concert including solo pieces from Bach. The night costs £12 and for more information call (01691) 657986.

If pop music is what you are after then head on down to The Venue in Park Hall where a singer will be paying

tribute to Lady Gaga. Totally Gaga starts at 7.30pm and costs £10. Contact (01691) 684840.

On Saturday night Something Personal will be playing at the Cobblestones Bistro Bar, in Oswestry, from 9pm.

Wednesday night sees four-piece The Velvet Dukes celebrating its new EP in Welshpool, with a special launch show at The Raven from 8pm, including a four course meal and two sets.

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MARKETS

Welshpool livestock market

Welshpool Livestock
Sales
Store Cattle Auction
March 13

An entry of 275 Store cattle met with an excellent trade once again, with the trade equally as good if not better than the end of the month for the cattle on offer. Bidding was brisk from the start to finish with buyers from Staffordshire, Cheshire and Shropshire, mixing it up with local Powys buyers to give an overall average of 218.46ppkg for the bullocks and 206.7ppkg for the heifers. Averages per head of £908.22 and £839.62 respectively. Leading the way in the top prices were:

Store Steers per kilo.

Limosin (x4) 280kg 267.8ppkg from SCS Morris Gelli Lwyd.

Limosin (x4) 405kg 259.3ppkg from G & A Orrells Maesderwen.

Belgian Blue (x1) 475kg 256.8ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Belgian Blue (x1) 495kg 252.5ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Limosin (x1) 235kg 251.1ppkg from SCS Morris Gelli Lwyd.

Limosin (x5) 413kg 249.9ppkg from G & A Orrells Maesderwen.

Store Heifers per kilo

Belgian Blue (x1) 360kg 250ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Charolais (x3) 396kg 247.5ppkg from SM & GD Jones Rhiwbraeth.

Limosin (x1) 430kg 232.6ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Charolais (x1) 515kg

232ppkg from JLL Morgans & Sons Tymawr.

Limosin (x1) 500kg

232ppkg from RP & SE Wilds Middle Sylfaen.

Limosin (x2) 432kg

231ppkg from I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Store Steers per head

Heresford (x1) 700kg £1370

C & A Davies & Son Dwyriw Farm.

Limosin (x1) 560kg £1370

I Evans & Son Hendreseifion.

Charolais (x1) 700kg £1285

AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes

Heresford (x2) 612kg £1270

C & A Davies & Son Dwyriw Farm.

Blonde D'Aquatinex (x1)

605kg £1270 RJT & GE Jones Penwra.

Charolais (x1) 620kg £1255

AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Store Heifers per head

Limosin (x1) 580kg £1195

C & A Davies & Son Dwyriw Farm.

Charolais (x1) 515kg £1195

JLL Morgans & Sons Tymawr.

Charolais (x2) 612kg £1160

AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Limosin (x1) 500kg £1160

RP & SE Wilds Middle Sylfaen.

Charolais (x2) 622kg £1145

AJ & JM Abberley Cerrigroes.

Charolais (x2) 557kg £1140

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Next Store Cattle Sale will

take place at Welshpool on

Tuesday 27th March, 10th

April and 27th April 2012.

WELSHPOOL LIVESTOCK SALES March 19 OTMS (31)

A seasonal entry of 31 over thirty month old cattle sold to an average of 134ppkg for the 25 cows, 106ppkg for the bull and 146ppkg and 160ppkg for the younger steers and heifers respectively. G Jones & Son Yr Ogof presented a Charolais cow weighing 823kg making a top price of £1135.74. EW & KE Benbow Ffryd Farm sold a Limousin weighing 780kg and making £1115.40. A younger under 72months Limousin cow weighing 795kg from R B Jones Llywobin achieved 31335.60. G Jones & Son Yr Ogof receives the Brainwood Products Ltd prize of £25 for the highest price older cow sold on the day. Weekly sale of Over Thirty Month older cattle at 9am prompt every Monday. From the 26th March will be holding a section for TB Tested animals. This will take place in ring 2 and will commence at 9am. If you require any further information regarding this see-

tion please contact the market on 01938 553438 or the Auctioneer Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999.

FAT CATTLE (21)

An entry of 21 fat cattle sold to average 192ppkg for the steers and 201ppkg for the heifers. G Bound & Son Cefn Bach presented two Limousin heifers to 230ppkg and 227ppkg and bought by M J Birtwistle & Co and Rikki Lloyd of Welshpool. EE & MJ Jones & Sons Cwmbychan sold two steers to 207ppkg and 183ppkg. Evans Brothers Tynewydd sold two steers to 214ppkg and 190ppkg and six heifers sold to average 199ppkg. G Bound & Son Cefn Bach receives the Briarwood Products Ltd Prize of £25 for the highest ppkg animal sold on the day. Weekly sale of Fat cattle every Monday at approximately 12.30pm. More Fat Cattle urgently required to meet a very strong demand from potential purchasers. If you have require any advise of wish to sell fat cattle at the market please contact the auctioneer Mr Glandon Lewis on 07774 224999 or the market office on 01938 553438.

PRIME HOGGETTS (4535)

An entry of 4535 prime hoggets sold to average 212ppkg this week.

Super Lights (up to 25.4kg) (34) to 217ppkg from S Beaman & Co Dolhaearn. Average of 203ppkg.

Lights (25.5kg to 32kg) (34) to 223ppkg from S H Lloyd Penllan. Others to 221ppkg from D M Lloyd Y Dderwen. Average of 209ppkg.

Standards (32.1kg to 39kg) (562) to 258ppkg from W E Ellis Talwrn. Others to 242ppkg from R J Lunt Planfa. Average of 212ppkg.

Mediums (39.5kg to 45.5kg) (1621) to 247ppkg from H Williams Taldrym. Others to 237ppkg from GE & KM Langford Y Maesydd. Average of 213ppkg.

Heavies (45.1kg to 52kg) (202) to 213ppkg from M P B Ashton Belan Ddu. Others to 211ppkg from D M Jones Pwll. Average of 189ppkg.

Over Weights (over 52kg) (1) to 189ppkg.

Young Bulls (19) Overall Average 179p.

Light Bulls (1) Selling to 189p from C E Evans Lower Hendre

Monday 26th March, Sale of

Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 27th March, March

Fair of Store Cattle.

Monday 2nd April, Easter

Spring Lamb Show and Sale.

Monday 9th April, Dairy

Cows.

(746) to 185ppkg from J C Evans & Co Belan Newydd and FW Humphreys & Sons Brook House. Others to 181ppkg from A Gittins Tywyn. Average of 166ppkg.

Weekly Sales of Fat Hoggets every Monday at 10.30ams.

CULL EWES (1444)

Cull ewes sold to average £70.15 and a top price of £148 from J H H Jerman & Co Wemddu and E G Roberts Tan Yr Ywen. Cull ram averaged £81.30 and topped at £138 from B W Evans Glyn Y Rhodyn. Weekly sale of Cull sheep to immediately follow the sale of fat Hoggets at approximately noon.

STORE LAMBS & IN LAMB EWES

An entry of 210 Store Lambs entering the market this week selling to an average of £68.68. Texel ewe lambs sold to £81.20 with suffolk lambs from J W Davies & Sons Tynybrynni realising £79.20.

An increased entry of couples with entries expected to increase over the next couple of weeks. Speckled full mouth ewes with twin lambs at foot realised £106 while Texel Full mouth and as found ewes with twins from TL & PA Bennett Dolgied Farm realised £185. Texel three year old ewes with twin lambs at foot realised £200 and four old Charolais ewe with single lamb at foot from B L Griffiths Lower Penygelli realised £150. Strong Suffolks yearling ewes from C Edwards Freehold Farm with twin lambs at foot realised £255. More Couples required next week to meet the strong demand.

An increased entry of 94 cads lambs selling to an average of £15.18. Top price of the day went to D R Owen & Sons Sandlains realising £28 for a strong Texel lamb.

Forthcoming Sales

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Tuesday 10th April, Mid April Fair of Organic and Conventional Store Cattle.

Monday 16th April, Cows and Calves.

Thursday 19th April, Pedigree Charolais Cattle Sale.

Monday 23rd April, Dairy Cows.

Tuesday 24th April, Store Cattle.

Monday 7th May, Prize sale of Couples, Dairy Cows and Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 8th May, Organic and Conventional Store Cattle.

Saturday 12th May, Machinery Sale at Coed Y Dinas.

Monday 14th May, Cows and Calves.

Thursday 17th May, Pedigree Limousin, Simmental, Saler & Charolais Cattle Sale.

Monday 21st May, Dairy Cows and Calves.

Monday 28th May, Cows and Calves.

Tuesday 29th May, Organic & Conventional Store Cattle.

FAT HOGGETTS: (2207)

An excellent entry of 2207 Hoggets on Wednesday 14/3/12. The trade on this week was excellent with the average being 214ppkg. 325 Light Hoggs averaged 207.5ppkg. Heavy Hoggs averaged 223ppkg from M J Crawshaw Dolwen with 27kg making £60.20. 443 Standard Hoggs averaged 215ppkg leading the way was a pen of 36kg hoggs making £87 from W H Edwards Highgate (241ppkg).

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Go bananas – VW's Herbie Beetle is back

There's an all-new version of Volkswagen's iconic Beetle on the way with an uncanny similarity to the original.

But if you loved VW's link back to the hippy age with the dash mounted vase and flower you're going to be disappointed. It's gone and its place has gone to a flip up glove box, originally seen in the air-cooled Beetle.

The Beetle, made famous in Disney's Herbie films, is about to hit UK showrooms in three trim levels and two engines with the promise of three more engines to follow.

To begin with, Volkswagen is offering a

DRIVE TIME
with Graham Breeze


104bhp turbocharged 1.2-litre engine coupled to a seven-speed DSG double clutch gearbox and a 158bhp 1.4-litre petrol with turbo and supercharging that uses a six-speed manual transmission.

To follow are a 2.0-litre turbo petrol engine

with 197bhp – nearly the same engine as in the Golf GTI but with a little less power – and a 104bhp 1.6-litre turbodiesel as seen in the rest of the VW range.

The diesel will come badged as BlueMotion, so expect 65.7mpg and 114g/km emissions.

The three trim levels are Beetle, Design and Sport. The 1.2-litre is offered in Beetle or Design trim from £16,490 and the 1.4-litre in Design or Sport trim from £19,470.

Three other engines – a 1.6-litre TDI BlueMotion Technology 105 PS, 2.0-litre TDI 140 PS and 2.0-litre TSI 200 PS – will be joining the line-up later in 2012 along with the option of a six-speed manual gearbox for the 1.2-litre TSI model.

Specification levels are high. The standard Beetle comes with air conditioning, remote central locking, an RCD 310 CD system with DAB radio and rear Isofix seat preparation.

Moving to the mid-level Design trim adds 17-inch alloy wheels in a choice of two styles, Bluetooth telephone preparation with MDI (multi-device interface) iPod connectivity, front fog lights, an alarm, an RCD 510 DAB CD/radio, multifunction leather-wrapped steering wheel and body-coloured door and dashboard panels.

The range-topping Sport specification brings 18-inch alloys in a choice of two styles, tinted glass, cruise control, sports seats, parking sen-

"The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack."



The new Beetle sees a return to the iconic design loved by Herbie film fans

sors, gloss black door mirrors, dashboard and door panel and 2Zone electronic climate control.

The Beetle comes with driver, passenger and side airbags but no curtain airbags are on offer. There are twin three-point belts in the rear seats, while ABS anti-lock brakes and ESP stability and traction control are fitted to all models.

The top spec Sport model of Beetle also comes with parking sensors. Security is taken care of by an alarm, immobiliser and deadlocks.

A wide range of optional equipment will also be available, including keyless access, satellite navigation systems, a panoramic sunroof and bi-xenon headlights.

The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack.

Developed in conjunction with the legendary electric guitar firm of the same name, this audiophile's delight offers a 400W output and a subwoofer, along with switchable three-colour illumination surrounding the front loudspeakers, all for just £495.

The driving position comes with adjustable driver's seat and two-way movement for the steering column, and headroom is excellent even if the new Beetle is styled to have more of a coupe-like roofline.

The rear seats lack legroom and the sweeping roof makes it tough on the taller passenger but the plus side is a 310 litre boot and unlike the previous Beetle, the rear seats can be folded down to expand load space up to a maximum of 905 litres.


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The sales team at Arthurs, Oswestry with the new Zafira Tourer

High excitement over arrival of new Zafira

Arthurs of Oswestry sales executives Craig Huxley, Ian Edwards, Ben Phillips and Grant Dodsworth are looking forward to the all-new Zafira Tourer dominating the multi-purpose vehicle (MPV) segment of the market.

The award-winning sales team are particularly impressed with the many features and technologies taken from the luxury car sector.

Said sales controller Ben Phillips: "There are multiple seating configurations including 'lounge seating' on key models.

"The lounge seating system offers second row passengers limousine luxury," said Ben,

who went on: "There's a raft of new features, such as Vauxhall's new front camera system and state-of-the-art infotainment.

"What really defines the Zafira Tourer is its use of quality cabin materials which set new class standards. Vauxhall has created a spacious and inviting environment for occupants offering near-panoramic views for driver and passengers."

Orders have already been received by Arthurs of Oswestry for the all-new Zafira Tourer - positioned above the current Zafira in Vauxhall's line-up - which is priced from £21,000.

There is a choice of three diesel and two petrol engines with a 119bhp EcoFlex engine to follow. Power outputs are from 110ps to 165ps and manual and auto transmissions are available.

Mike's Bikes for all your needs on two wheels

Advertisement feature

Oswestry motorcycle business, Mike's Bikes, has gained an enviable reputation for its service, whether selling - or buying - machines, carrying out services and repairs, or providing a wide range of accessories.

Visitors can also be assured of friendly and expert advice. Mike's Bikes, at 8 Welsh Walls, Oswestry has been specialising in motorcycles, scooters and quad bikes for over 10 years, although Mike Hughes has been in business in the town for 30 years.

The popular family business is run by Mike and his wife, Lynn. It is a dealer for Rieju motorbikes as well as Kymco scooters and quad bikes, and also Baotian scooters.

The quad bike sales is a specialist section that attracts customers from a wide area.

Lynn said: "We sell new machines and also sell and buy secondhand bikes and scooters. And of course we will talk to customers about part exchange."

They also stock a wide range of clothing and accessories including vital protective clothing, trousers, gloves, footwear and neck tubes and accessories.

There's a range of helmets including AGV, Shark, HJC and Box. Nikwax is also sold for cleaning and waterproofing clothing and footwear.

"It may also be possible to order in special requests," said Lynn.

She said that with young people aged 16 and over able to ride scooters, Mike's Bikes was keen to advise not only on safety clothing and helmets, but also on training available to all riders.

"We can give all the details on 'CBT' training for riders that will set them out on to the road."



The team at Mike's Bikes - from left, Lynn Hughes, Nick Stockley and Mike Hughes

Once a bike or scooter is purchased customers can then rely on Mike's Bikes for MoTs and repairs, all carried out within the workshops on Welsh Walls.

The business has its own fully-qualified mechanics including a specialist, motorbike technician.

"We are happy for people to pop in and meet us and see what we have to offer. We can give advice on buying a bike or scooter tailored to an individual's need."

"The bike that is right for one person may not be right for another. It depends on how many miles and what type of riding the individual does," said Lynn.

Right: Mike's Bikes stocks a wide range of motorcycling clothes and helmets



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Big cat gets ready to pounce on market

It has already won a handful of awards from both car enthusiasts and industry pundits: now Jaguar's new XJ flagship is 'going large' in the prestige limousine sector.

Luxury cars don't come much bigger than the stretched XJ, which gives its well-heeled owners plenty of room to stretch out in the back and enjoy its climate control, big armchairs and TV and audio toys.

At 5.2 metres, the long wheelbase version is

a whole 134mm longer than the standard XJ, making it so roomy that even a former deputy prime minister should be able to manage with only one Jag.

If that isn't enough of a saving, the three litre-diesel version provides the effortless performance you'd expect of such a car with fuel economy still on the plus side of 40mpg and a relatively low emissions figure of 184g/km, better than some family hatchbacks.

That's party due to its lightweight, all aluminium construction which also sharpens up its handling compared to some of its rivals. It

also has an aerodynamic, couple-like profile which to a degree belies its size.

The surprise is, though, that the sweeping roofline doesn't rob you of space in the rear, as you sink into the deep leather armchairs and stretch out your legs.

It was a bold move by Jaguar to switch so drastically from the iconic XJ outline which has become so familiar over the last 40 years. But the bold move proved successful when the car became the number one choice for British business buyers in its first six months on sale.

Many such cars are, no doubt, bought by those who prefer to travel in the back, their laptops busy on the polished walnut tray table in front of them.

But unlike some of the rolling canal boats in this class in the past, the owners will want to be drivers, too. With the diesel engine's whopping 600Nm of torque and a silky smooth six-speed automatic, the long wheelbase XK wafts along motorways in near silence.

Roadholding abilities

But it can also press you back in the seat with 0 to 62mph acceleration in six seconds, swooping smoothly and comfortably along twisty A-roads thanks to its inherent roadholding abilities and a combination of adaptive electronic dynamics designed to cope with every eventuality. These are fitted not only for safety but to take some of the load from the driver – but with systems such as the rapid 'flappy' paddle gear change the human behind the wheel is still in control, and can enjoy the dynamics of a fine, powerful car.



Complete comfort if you are in the back or front of this luxurious vehicle

Whether you're in the back or the driving seat, the XJ is a car capable of carrying its passengers for long distances in ultimate comfort, and getting them to their destination relaxed and ready for business or leisure.

At £69,520 the Portfolio model tested isn't cheap but it is competitive in its class, as it does come exceptionally well equipped with technical and luxury features as standard. The optional extras were principally an upgrade to the rear seat entertainment pack, including the TV with two individual screens.

All the technical and safety features, and front and rear parking aid cameras, the cruise control and speed limiter and the soft grain leather seats and tinted, solar glass are among

the very long list of standard equipment.

The Jaguar also stands up very well to comparisons with its principal German rivals, in terms of both performance and economy as well as comfort and standard equipment.

Prices for the long wheelbase XJ start from £58,520 for the diesel power 'Luxury'; specification. There is also a petrol version powered by the 5.0 litre V8 from the XK sports car starting at £70,950 which may well prove to be the preferred choice in some of the West Midlands company's export markets.

But there's no doubt that the diesel's combination of power, economy and cost-cutting has a very real appeal for European executives of today and tomorrow.



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German marques dominate the premium mid-sized family saloon trade

Audi sets pace in battle for prized saloon market

The battle for sales in the premium mid-sized family saloon market is intense, with the majority of customers choosing one of three German makes – Audi, BMW and Mercedes.

These three makes accounted for 93 per cent of UK premium sales in the UK last year and the competition is getting hotter all the time.

Audi is first off the starting block with a new Audi A4 saloon and Avant (estate) model and shortly BMW will introduce new 3-Series.

While the new A4, like all new models is slightly bigger than the outgoing version, the most significant changes are in the engine range.

Audi is now putting more economical and friendly green engines into the A4 range – and there are 110 different models to choose from! Average fuel consumption overall is dropped by 11 per cent and torque has also been increased making some of the petrol engines very competitive with the diesel versions.

In all there are three petrol engines and six diesel engines to choose from. They are all turbocharged and all feature the economy start/stop and recuperation systems.

The most exciting engine, a new 1.8 litre petrol TFSI engine pushing out 170 PS was not available for test driving at the recent Audi launch. On paper it emits 21 per cent less CO2 than its predecessor attracting a VED of £115 a year and running costs of

By Brian Vertigen

around 43p per mile. The official combined mpg figure is around 49 but that of course is in perfect conditions.

The diesel range starts with a 134 bhp 2.0 litre four cylinder TDI unit that averages 64 mpg, with CO2 emissions of 116 g/km placing it in band C for Vehicle Excise Duty. The rest of the range takes in 2.0 TDI 163PS, a 177 PS version and two very hot 3.0 litre TDI engines pushing up to 245PS. For those who want a really 'hot' version to rival the BMW M3 there will be a RS 4 version in September this year.

On my road test of the various engines the 2 litre diesel engines were definitely the most enjoyable to drive and are so competent they almost make the 3.0 litre versions redundant. They offer plenty of power ranging from 136PS to 177PS with a choice of six-speed manual or multitronic gearboxes. All the engines are exceptionally smooth and quiet.

Twin-clutch

There are Quattro four wheel drive versions offered with seven speed S tronic twin-clutch also available. Standard equipment highlights include 3-zone climate control, cruise control, Bluetooth and light and rain sensors. There are also the usual three pages of Audi optional extras at extra cost!



The new model has a new bumper, redesigned radiator grille and headlamps

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SPORT**PLACINGS****English Clubs Hockey****Championship**

SOUTH LANCS/CHESHIRE DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	B	Pts
Ruskin Park	22	17	5	16	14	54
Gwynedd	21	16	0	5	14	53
Crewe & Nantwich	21	15	3	12	9	52
Douglas	22	14	2	6	11	51
Vagabonds	21	11	2	9	17	50
Sefton	22	13	0	9	7	59
Dukinfield	23	8	3	10	11	49
Scolebury	21	10	0	12	12	42
Marple	22	9	1	12	7	40
Moore	22	8	1	13	11	40
Oldershaw	22	6	2	14	9	37
Ramsey	22	5	2	15	8	24
Trentham	22	6	1	15	8	29
Ellesmere Port	21	4	0	17	3	19

Midlands Ladies League**FEEDER WEST**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Shrewsbury	18	14	2	64	18	44
B'ham Uni III	18	14	1	18	42	
Stourport II	18	10	6	29	32	
Bridgnorth	18	9	7	39	35	29
Bridgnorth III	18	8	7	35	37	
Stone	18	8	7	35	37	
Hinckley	18	6	10	42	42	20
Telford & Wrekin	18	5	10	43	56	18
Bromsgrove	18	4	14	45	65	16
Shropshire II	18	0	18	8	73	0

Cheshire League**DIVISION 4**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Qwestyle	11	7	4	14	16	22
Bellington	17	12	3	73	16	33
Wilmot	18	12	5	51	31	37
Aldeley Edge III	18	12	6	32	33	27
Neston Stn Wrrall II	18	7	11	37	33	25
Bebington	17	7	10	37	38	18
Timperley IV	17	5	10	24	49	17

Shropshire Chess**DIVISION 1**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost A	12	10	2	42	18	20
Shifnal & Telford A	12	9	3	137	52.5	22
Newport A	12	8	4	31	29	14
Shrewsbury A	12	8	3	34	27	17
Shifnal & Telford A	12	6	5	53.1	52.8	13
Church Stretton A	12	5	7	50	29	11
Princelions A	12	5	6	25	35	8
Ludlow A	12	4	10	17	54.5	3
Wellington A	12	0	9	9.5	52.5	3

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost B	12	10	2	24	18	20
Shifnal & Telford B	12	9	3	137	52.5	20
Shrewsbury B	12	6	4	31	29	14
Princelions B	12	5	6	25	35	8
Princelions C	13	3	10	78	53.5	11
Telepost C	13	4	9	83	54.5	9
Oswestry A	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington B	13	0	17	38	3	3

DIVISION 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Pinewood C	11	6	5	27.5	16.5	16
Shifnal & Telford C	11	6	3	30	14	16
Newport C	11	5	6	24	21	12
Church Stretton B	11	3	2	24	20	12
Shrewsbury C	11	4	3	32.5	15.1	12
Oswestry B	12	0	12	79	52.5	2
Telepost D	12	0	9	9.5	52.5	2

Welshpool Dominios**DIVISION 1**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Pinewood C	23	19	4	109	56	34
Pinewood A	23	18	5	127	60	34
Sun Inn	23	19	0	89	72	34
Social Club A	23	12	11	86	75	24
G'Dragon Butt B	24	12	12	86	75	24
Celtis	23	12	11	83	78	24
Cook PIA	23	12	11	83	90	24
Powis Arms PJO	23	10	13	82	76	23
Pinewood Dragons	23	10	11	81	80	23
G'Dragon Butt A	23	10	13	84	77	23
Railway	23	7	16	65	96	21
RAF Boys	23	6	17	54	121	21

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Waterloo	25	20	5	127	60	44
Bowling Club	25	18	7	111	64	44
Cock A	25	18	7	108	67	44
Bredren	25	14	11	99	65	44
Dragonflies	25	13	12	99	60	43
Talbot	25	13	12	87	87	43
Westwood Wand	25	12	13	87	88	43
Muriel's Bunch	25	12	13	83	93	43
Angels	25	12	13	84	90	43
Castle Boys	25	10	15	77	98	42
Grapes	25	9	16	76	99	42
Westwood	25	5	20	60	110	21
Wellington	25	5	19	54	121	21

Andrews Fish Bar**Welshpool Pool League****Premier League**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Talbot D	19	15	2	134	56	32
Breckin Lions	19	12	3	121	69	28
Oak A	19	11	4	106	84	24
Cock A	19	11	4	106	84	24
Pheasant Nomads	20	11	6	110	80	25
Cobra	20	9	4	110	90	23
Angels	20	9	5	108	90	23
The Lions Lfd	19	4	8	87	103	14
Argie A	20	5	13	84	124	12
Socialites	20	4	14	83	117	12
George	20	4	14	83	117	12
Plough B	23	17	8	27	28	16
Plough W Ton Rhyn	23	11	12	63	63	11
Miners Arms	23	5	18	31	42	10
Outlaws	23	11	12	-3	59	10
Greyhound	24	5	19	44	34	10
George	23	3	20	73	21	9
Five Pigeons	24	2	22	88	16	8
Three Pigeons	24	2	22	88	16	8
Northop Hall II	17	5	9	29	37	15
Whitchurch II	17	3	14	10	65	15
Deside Ramblers III	18	2	15	14	89	1

Osprey Pool League

	P	W	L	D	B	Pts
Red Lion	24	22	2	6	66	93
Stanley Allstars	24	17	7	0	59	63
U/Com Border Boys	23	20	4	69	69	63
Five Lions	24	20	4	62	91	63
Unicorn A	23	13	10	37	74	56
The Lions Lfd	19	4	8	39	74	41
Angels	20	4	14	83	117	41
George	20	4	14	83	117	41
Plough B	23	4	17	28	74	39
Plough W Ton Rhyn	23	11	12	63	63	39
Miners Arms	23	5	18	31	42	39
Outlaws	23	11	12	-3	59	39
Greyhound	24	5	19	44	34	39
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Crusaders crushed after 12 try rout against the Skolars

NORTH WALES CRUSADERS succumbed to their second defeat of the season as they were thrashed 66-16 by London Skolars.

The Skolars ran in 12 tries with 10 different scorers in a disastrous day for the league's Wrexham-based new boys.

The Skolars made a flying start, with two tries within the first six minutes, man of the match Dylan Skeet diving over the line from dummy half.

Just as North Wales Crusaders looked to be gaining some momentum and a foothold in the game, Chris Tyer was sent to the sin bin by referee, Tom Crashley. The London side added three tries in the ten minute spell that Crusaders were down to 12 men.

A further five tries were added in the first period, from John Paxton, Joe Price, Neil Thorman, Alex Bate and Brad Hopkins.

In between Crusaders looked to score one of their own, both Jono Smith and Rob Massam both being held out by the home side, who went in at the interval leading 40-0.

The second half was a slight improvement by the visitors and with two tries in the first ten minutes after the break, the comeback looked to be on

SPORT

The Bell are on song as Ellesmere go down

The Bell 7 Ellesmere 2
With the Bell back on form, they wrapped up their win over Ellesmere in the Oswestry Darts League by the end of the singles.

Gary Jones, Neil Astley, Liam Astley, Craig Davies and Darren Rowe all won, with only R Thomas taking his game for Ellesmere.

The Bell then took a doubles win for partners Liam Astley and Jones, Rowe and Paul Gibson, with only Luke Jones and C Fullerton winning their game in reply for the Ellesmere.

The Bell's Astley and Ellesmere's Thomas both hit the maximum.

A LEAGUE

Penybont 7 Bullring B 2

The Penybont had the game won by the end of the singles with wins for Charles Roberts, Dave Roberts, Ray Guthrie, Steve Jones and Rich Tomlinson, with only Carl Woosnam replying for the Bullring.

The Penybont then took two of the doubles games with wins for partners Dave and Charles Roberts, Tomlinson and Clive Bebb, before victories for the Bullring partners Woosnam and Kevin McDade.

During the night, some good darts were thrown with Penybont's Tomlinson hitting a maximum, while team-mate Steve Jones took out 119 and Woosnam checked out 120 in his game.

Bullring A 6 Overton 3

At the end of the singles games, it was all equal with wins for the Bullring A from Brian Cork, Nigel Billingham and Stuart Kendrick, before Overton victories for Pete Grindley, M Whittall and D Edwards.

Then the Bullring finished the game off by taking all of the doubles games through partners Kendrick and Nick George, Bryn Morris and Brian Cork, Nigel Billingham and Richie Ingram.

Greyhound A 4 Keys 5

In a very close game, the Greyhound took the first and last singles game of the night with wins for Scott Dockerty and Gary Williams. The Keys fought back through Guy Williams, Kirk Worthing, Mark Owen and Kev Sudlow.

The Keys then took the win in the first doubles game for partners M Smout and M Owen, before partners Gary Williams and J Bradbury and B Lee and B Teagle won the last two games of the night for the Greyhound.

B LEAGUE

Butchers 3 Royal Oak 6

Royal Oak A won in the singles with Mel Williams, Andy Roberts, Colin Thomas and Chris Powell, with the Butchers replying through Liam Lightwood and Mervyn Williams.

The doubles games saw the first game go to the Butchers with a win for partners Michael Jones and Wayne Williams.

Royal Oak partners Chris Powell and Mel Williams, Colin Thomas and Andy Bullock took the last two wins of the night.

White Lion 1 Wynstay 8

Rob Hughes won the only game of the night for the White Lion, Liansillin, during the singles games.

The Wynstay took victories through P Morris, M Taylor, W Beach, B Edwards and J Jones in the singles, with partners B Edwards and O Thomas, W Beach and M Taylor, J Jones and P Morris won all of the doubles.

Two weeks ago it was reported that Colin Lockley for The Top White Lion hit the highest check out of the season so far with 160.

This information was found to be incorrect, so 150 still remains the highest check out.



Alan Bircher is joining Ellesmere Titans' coaching team

Bircher to coach Titans talent

FORMER British swimmer Alan Bircher is the latest addition to the Ellesmere College Titans coaching team.

Bircher was a member of the British Swimming team from 1997 until his retirement in 2008 and during that long spell as a top international swimmer, he represented Great Britain at six World Championships from 2003 to 2008 - winning a silver medal in Dubai in 2004.

He competed at three European Championships, one in the pool and two in Open Water, winning a silver medal in Madrid 2004, and was a 10-time British champion at 1500m in the pool and 5km and 10km Open Water, as well as a multiple World Cup Stage winner and twice European Cup champion.

Since his retirement from elite competitive swimming, Bircher has quickly grown a reputation as one of the top young coaches in the UK.

He will be taking up the mantle of head coach at the Titans having previously been head coach at Wyre Forest since 2010 and before that at West Suffolk Swimming Club. He is also the head coach of the English Central Open Water Talent Group.

During his short period as a coach, Bircher has developed his young swimmers to become regional medallists and champions and medallists at the Junior, Youth and Senior National Championships. Alan also coached German International Steffi Biller to second place in the FINA World Cup and to the World Championships in Rome 2009.

Commenting on his move to the Titans, he said: "In just three years the Titans programme has developed some of the best young swimmers anywhere in the UK. My role is now to nurture this hugely talented pool of young swimmers to ensure success at a later stage on the world stage. I am inspired by the positive and enthusiastic set-up that the Titans can offer and relish the challenge."

Current Titans head coach Jon Parde, who will be taking up a broader role in the development of the Titans as director of swimming, added: "The appointment of Alan is further proof of our complete commitment to ensuring that our swimmers have the very best opportunity anywhere within the UK to develop their potential."

Title hopes ended but top three is now target

MANAGER Craig Rogers believed his Morda United side have what it takes to secure a top three finish in the County League premier division.

The Weston Road men, who were playing Ellesmere Rangers last night in the Shropshire Challenge Cup semi-final, saw their title hopes effectively end following their 0-0 draw with leaders Newport and 1-0 home defeat to local rivals Ellesmere reserves in the past few weeks.

Those results now see them lying seventh in the table, but they do have games in hand on all the sides above them as they look to finish the campaign in style.

Realistic

"It's too much to ask for us to win the title now, but a top three finish is a realistic aim which would still be a very good achievement," said Rogers whose side have six league games remaining.

"We're in a good position to finish third as we have games in hand on all the sides above us, and it could be between us and Ludlow Town who we've still got to play."

Morda will be banking on a maximum return on Saturday when they head to Leegomery to take on rock bottom Impact United who, with just one win to their names this season, have suffered a series of hefty defeats since the turn of the year.

Rally on the doorstep gives Welshpool team confidence

A WELSHPOOL team will be hoping to thrive on home surrounds as they line up for the 2012 MSA British Rally Championship's BRC Teams Cup, making a total of six battling it out for the prestigious title.

The Mid Wales town will be the hub of the major rally tomorrow and Saturday, which features the Bulldog International rally of North Wales, which is round two of the televised British Welsh National Rally championship.

Flying the local flag in the championship will be Davies Motorsport Services who will run a two-car Citroen DS3 R3 team, the cars piloted by an all-Welsh cast of Osian Pryce and Lestyn Williams and Tom Cave and Craig Parry.

The Welshpool-based outfit should be fresher than any other for Bulldog Rally North Wales, their workshop being less than a mile across the fields from Rally HQ.

But it will be the team's experience along with two talented crews that should pay dividends; team boss Andy Davies having worked for the Subaru World Rally Team as WRC champion Peter Solberg's leading technician.

Spectacular

The team will fight it out with fellow Welsh team AVS Motorsport, Ford Junior Team Finland, Cumbria's M-Sport Ford and Lancashire-based Pirelli TEG Sport; although Calum Black's spectacular roll and subsequent fire on round one will probably count out the Millers' Oils 586 Team from the fray.

Currently leading the fight, atop an all-Ford top tree, is M-Sport Ford, with the Finns second and AVS third. Pirelli TEG Sport is fourth with Black's non-score putting him fifth, but as only the highest placed crew scores for the BRC Teams Cup, it is still anyone's title.

Also taking part in the national rally is local driver James Watkin, of Rally Marketing in Boot Street, who is competing in last year's Nisan Micra with a new 1300cc engine. His co-driver is Daniel Phelps from Neath.

The duo will be on hand on Friday evening to meet rally enthusiasts with their championship winning Subaru as part of the rally celebrations which include free entertainment and autograph signing in Welshpool town centre from 5pm.

The competitive element of the rally will be decided over timed special stages on Forestry Commission gravel roads in the Counties of Powys and Gwynedd. Details of the location of these stages - which have provision for spectators - will be available from the event website: www.bulldogrally.co.uk

The Service Area for the Bulldog Historic Rally will be in Dolgellau and the finish in Welshpool.

Television coverage will be on Sky Sports 2, normally on the Monday immediately following the rally.

School cricketers answer county and country call

ELLESMER College cricketers are making the grade at county level after a total of 18 boys and girls were selected for Cheshire, Shropshire and Wales.

Alfie Thelwell and Ben Beaver have been called up for the North Shropshire under-10s and under-11s district squad respectively, while Luke Parker and Dominic Freer-Carmichael have been selected for the District under-13s squad.

Ben has also been selected for the Wales under-11s squad and recently spent two days of his half-term in Cardiff working with the team.

Sam Ellis and Matthew Batkin, who joined the school in September, have again been selected for the winter squad for Shropshire this year at under-12s age group.

Both boys play their cricket at Whitchurch Cricket Club and are looking forward to the season ahead at the school.

In the same under-12s age group Ben Gibbon has been selected for the Cheshire squad. Ben also joined the school in September and will be a major part of the Lower School cricket and the Cheshire squad.

Lower School head boy George Newton has been selected for the under-13s squad this summer. He had an extremely successful season last year with the school and represented the under-12s Cheshire team, scoring 114 runs and taking 16 wickets.

Year 10 pupils William Doerr and David Powell have been selected for the Shropshire under-15s squad. Both boys travel alternate weeks to Wrexham College to take part in the intense winter programme which includes fitness testing, strength and conditioning training, fielding and net sessions.

Sixth formers Dewi Jones and Scott Burden have been selected for Wales and Cheshire under-17s respectively.



Rich Cosgrove has earned a shot at the AMMA Pro title

Cosgrove earns a title shot after prize scalp

RICH Cosgrove claimed a notable scalp as he defeated the talented Liam Corrigan, who was previously unbeaten, in only his second professional Mixed Martial Arts tournament.

Cosgrove, of Team Elite Oswestry, can take plenty of heart from the display against his rival from Leicester Shootfighters who had won his previous nine fights, eight of those fights by submission. He also currently holds the Fight UK Lightweight Amatuer title.

After his win on Saturday, Cosgrove has been asked to fight for the AMMA lightweight Pro title in July.

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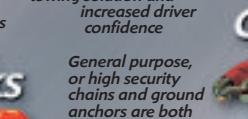
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SPORT

Goal spree sets Oak up for title decider

OAK INN 13 BLACK LION COLTS 1

OAK INN need to win their last league game of the season against Malpas to lift the League Championship after thrashing Black Lion Colts.

Oaks are within a point of leaders Dudleyton Heath with identical goal difference.

Steve Tomkins gave the Oak a great start scoring within the first two minutes, and he went on to score five times.

Liam Williams and Jack Harris both bagged a brace with Nathan Richards, Alex Gunn and Dave Hartshorn also on target, while the goal of the game came from Shin Miah who started the break from defence and finished off a nine-man move.

CROSS FOXES 2

ATHLETIC MARKET 2
James Carsley vollded the Market into a ninth minute lead against Cross Foxes but Adam Hebert equalised five minutes later when he headed home a Matthew Hardy cross.

Herbert then gave the Foxes the lead on 20 minutes converting a penalty after a handball before Carsley gave Athletico Market a free shot of the points with a fine free kick from 25 yards.

MALPAS 0

DUDLESTON HEATH 2
Veteran player-manager Darren Pitcher scored both Dudlestone's goals to see them through to the semi-final of the Charter Standard Cup.

Pitcher headed in from a corner on 20 minutes and then curled a shot from the edge of the box on 53 minutes.

Malpas had a goal disallowed for offside against Tom Flaherty.

Fixtures for Sunday 25 March

League: Oswestry Bell v Cross Foxes
Charter Standard Cup: Ironworks v Llanymynech, Black Lion Colts v Oak Inn

Butler to rescue for Rangers

Ellesmere Rangers 1

Dunkirk 0
A LATE Sean Butler goal took Ellesmere a step closer towards securing their Midland Alliance safety.

Butler rifled home with just 10 minutes remaining after a deep corner was hooked back into the danger zone by Craig Farr.

Kevin Renshaw twice went close for the home side in the opening period, while Dunkirk also missed two good first-half opportunities to break the deadlock.

"At one stage in the first half I thought it was going to end up about 4-4," said Ellesmere boss Matt Burton. "There wasn't too much quality in the game but it was a big win for us. We are now up to 15th in the table and are only two points behind Dunkirk with two games in hand."

Ellesmere were back in action last night with a Shropshire Challenge Cup semi-final against County Premier League outfit Morda at Wem.

Mixed fortunes for boys

OSWESTRY under-13s finished 1-1 against Ludlow in a hard-fought contest between two evenly matched sides.

Player of the match Tom Evans scored for the home side. At under-10 level, Oswestry Dynamites won 4-0 at Llanymynech with Joshua Olufsen, Kai Bray and Matthew Collins (2) the marksmen.

The under-15s swept aside Baschurch Juniors 8-0 with Dan Williams scoring a hat-trick, Sam Field and Scott Hale two apiece while an own goal completed the tally.

Four Crosses are made to feel full force of Breese

FOUR Crosses found themselves blown away by Jamie Breese as they bowed out of the Central Wales Cup against Llanidloes Town at Foxen Manor.

Breese scored four times as Llanidloes last night, with the teams meeting this time in the quarter-final of the Spar Mid Wales League division one, underlined their status as pre-match favourites.

Former Welshpool striker Breese had completed his hat-trick inside the first 25 minutes, the opener a lob from outside the box after latching onto a ball over the top from Kevin Davies.

He then pounced on a Luke Evans through ball to fire a second after his first effort had been saved, before notching a third from Mansell's pass.

Mansell then got on the scoresheet

with a stunning 25-yard strike into the top corner in the second half before Breese sealed the win when converting a cross from Karl Seljearts.

Four Crosses had little time to dwell on the defeat as they headed to Llanidloes last night, with the teams meeting this time in the quarter-final of the Spar Mid Wales League Cup.

And they were hoping that their cause would be bolstered by the return of some key players who missed the first clash between the sides.

Rhosgoch conquerors of Berriew the previous week, also made it through to the last four of the Central Wales Cup with a 3-1 passage against Aberystwyth University who had taken the lead through Rob Hancock.

The four semi-finalists are Waterloo Rovers, Penrhyncoch, Llanidloes and Rhosgoch.

Gulls hopes rocked as derby rivals hand out a hammering

LLANRHAEDR reserves took the local bragging rights as they dented the title prospects of their Gullsfield counterparts with an emphatic 5-1 home win in the JT Hughes Montgomeryshire League division one.

Two goals from Mike Roberts helped clinch an impressive victory for the hosts as the Gulls lost ground on leaders Caersws reserves who were 4-2 winners over Four Crosses reserves the previous night.

Llanrhader are now clear in second spot, just one point adrift of Caersws, but they may have too much to do if they are to snatch the crown themselves with just two games remaining.

Ewan Matthews, Peter Jones and Carwen Johnson also found the net with Luke Weaver responding for the third placed Gulls who have now fallen three points off the pace.

Earlier, Jack Harris netted twice for Four Crosses in their clash with Caersws, but his side succumbed to two goals from Gareth Jones, and one apiece from Drew Reynolds and Neil Evans.

High-flying Trefonen stayed on the title trail in the Mitsubishi division two with a 3-0 home verdict against Kerry reserves, with Lee Morris netting all three goals.

Llandrindio moved off the foot of the table with a 1-0 up with fellow strugglers Waterloo Colts, Andrew Gwilt on the mark as the two teams swapped places in the basement.

There was better news for Waterloo reserves who reached the final of the Tanners Town Cup with a narrow win over Newtown reserves.

The sides finished level at 1-1 after extra time, Ben Harvey on the mark for Waterloo and Lee Jones responding, but Waterloo prevailed 5-4 in the penalty shootout.

Morda reserves meanwhile, drew 2-2 at Newtown Wanderers in the Derek Mills Cup, a competition that is played on a league basis.

Jamie Mitchell bagged both of Morda's goals, with Newtown responding through Dave Rimmer and Mark Rivers.

PLACINGS**J. T. Hughes Montgomeryshire League**

Llanrhader, Villiers Cup semi-final: Caersws Res 4 (Gareth Jones (2), Drew Reynolds, Neil Evans, Four Crosses Res 2 (Jack Harris 2)).

Honour Division one: Llanrhader Res 5 (Mike Roberts 2, Ewan Matthews, Peter Jones, Carwen Johnson), Gullsfield Res 1 (Luke Morris 2).

Mitsubishi Division two: Trefonen 3 (Lee Morris 3), Kerr Res 2, Waterloo Colts 0, Llandrindio 1 (Andrew Gwilt).

Derek Mills Cup (League basis): Newtown 3, Tanners Town 2, Waterloo Colts 1, Lee Morris 2 (Ben Harvey), Newtown Res 1 (Lee Jones (2) aet, Waterloo 5 on 4 on penalties). Honda.

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Llanidloes Res ... 20 9 11 47 37 29

Bettws ... 16 9 7 42 35 27

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Churchstoke ... 17 2 13 21 66 8

Berriew Res ... 18 16 17 37 44 1

Waterloo Colts ... 17 3 11 30 59 12

Mitsubishi**Division 2**

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Trefonen ... 17 10 4 58 36 33

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Four Crosses Res ... 14 8 3 32 17 27

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Kerry Res ... 17 4 8 21 47 17

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Division one: Beriowell Res, Llanantaff Villa 1; Bow Street 5, Waterloo 2; Builth Wells 4, Tywyn Bryncrug 3; Camo 1, Montgomery 2; Dyllynn Banw 1, Rhayader 4.

Division two: Bon 4, Aberdyl 2; Knighton 3; Tregaron 2; Llanfair Utd 1, Llandrindio Wells 0; Machynlleth 3, Kerry 1; Presteigne 1, Aber-aeron 5.

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Builth Wells ... 22 11 8 45 45 36

Waterloo ... 24 10 12 55 56 32

Tywyn/Bryncrug ... 21 9 9 51 39 30

Berriew ... 24 8 10 45 48 30

Llanidloes ... 24 7 9 45 48 30

Bow Street ... 25 9 13 44 46 38

Dolgellau ... 21 6 13 38 64 20

Dyllynn Banw ... 23 2 16 27 78 11

Aber Uni ... 20 3 16 17 49 10

Welshpool ... 25 2 21 23 109 8

Sportsjamkits.com**County Premier League**

Premier division cup, round one: Breselegton 1, Ludlow Villa 0 (aet); Chirk, Stretton-on-Dove 1, Hafod 1; Llanidloes 1, Wellington Amateurs Reserves 0; Ludlow Town 4, Keltney Bank 0; Shifnal United 97 1, Telford Juniors 0.

Division one: Allscott 2, Oakengates Athletics 4; Hopescote 4, Rock Rovers 2; Ludlow Town Reserves 1, Shrewsbury 1, Shawbury United Reserves 0; Meole Braco 0, Bishop's Castle Town 3; Oswestry Ladies 1, Wrexham Ladies 1; Shropshire County 2, Shropshire Police 1; Shropshire Police 2, Shropshire Police 1; Shropshire Police 3, Shropshire Police 2; Shropshire Police 4, Shropshire Police 3; Shropshire Police 5, Shropshire Police 4; Shropshire Police 6, Shropshire Police 5; Shropshire Police 7, Shropshire Police 6; Shropshire Police 8, Shropshire Police 7; Shropshire Police 9, Shropshire Police 8; Shropshire Police 10, Shropshire Police 9; Shropshire Police 11, Shropshire Police 10; Shropshire Police 12, Shropshire Police 11; Shropshire Police 13, Shropshire Police 12; Shropshire Police 14, Shropshire Police 13; Shropshire Police 15, Shropshire Police 14; Shropshire Police 16, Shropshire Police 15; Shropshire Police 17, Shropshire Police 16; Shropshire Police 18, Shropshire Police 17; Shropshire Police 19, Shropshire Police 18; 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SPORT**Baldwin leg break sours win for Guils**

GUILSFIELD stopped the rot in the Cymru Alliance with a welcome 4-1 home success over rock bottom Rhos Aelwyd - but the game was tainted with midfielder Ed Baldwin breaking his leg.

Baldwin had put the Guils on course for the points with an early header, with all the goals coming inside the first 35 minutes.

But his afternoon ended prematurely when he broke his leg in a 50-50 challenge in the second half, the game being held up for an hour and a quarter as they waited for medical assistance.

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Super sub Scott puts Saints in driving seat**Neath 0 The New Saints 1**

A LATE strike from the evergreen Scott Ruscoe kept The New Saints on course for the Welsh Premier crown with this priceless victory over 10-man title rivals Neath at the Gnoll.

The experienced campaigner stepped off the bench to fire the Oswestry men back to the top of the table with their fifth successive league win - and effectively end the title aspirations of their hosts.

The Saints had found it hard to break down a resilient Neath side who had battled hard after having winger Chris Jones sent off nine minutes into the second half for his second bookable offence.

But, eight minutes from time, midfielder Ruscoe popped up to crash home a 10-yard shot past keeper Lee Kendall after Alex Darlington's shot had been deflected.

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The New Saints 3 Newtown 2

ALEX DARLINGTON'S late strike kept the Saints on the trail of more Welsh Premier League Cup glory after carving a slender first leg lead in their semi-final against Newtown at Park Hall.

Having lifted the trophy for the past three seasons, the holders were made to battle all the way by a spirited Newtown side who, despite their relegation concerns in the league, battled back from a two-goal deficit.

They were eventually sunk by Darlington's second goal of the game.

The tie remains very much alive for the return leg at Latham Park in two weeks but the Saints - who rang the changes - were left to reflect on a string of missed chances and some sloppy defending after surrendering a comfortable 2-0 half-time lead.

Chris Sargeant fired TNS ahead in the 18th minute from Simon Spender's right wing cross and only a superb save from visiting goalkeeper Nick Thomas kept out a drive from Chris Williams after good work by Sam Finley.

Pressure

At the other end, Keiran Mills-Evans forced goal hero Alex Ramsay into a save but Darlington added the second goal on the stroke of half-time, heading home from Marcus Giglio's left-wing cross.

Sargeant hit the post early in the second half but the Robins - who shocked high flying Bangor City in the quarter-finals - turned the tie around as they levelled with two goals inside three minutes.

Nick Rushton was gifted a reply when he intercepted a stray Giglio back-pass for the easiest of chances, before Gareth Partridge dinked the ball over his marker to slot home the equaliser.

In a purple patch for the visitors, Matty Cook hit the crossbar and Calum Wright forced a good save from TNS keeper Ramsay.

Substitute Charlie Proctor drew another good save from Thomas in the visitors' goal before, in the last minute of normal time, Darlington produced a fine individual goal, lobbing the stranded Thomas from the edge of the box for his 12th goal of the season.

Despite the defeat, struggling Newtown - who suf-



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fared a narrow league defeat at home to TNS earlier in the season - will still fancy their chances of an upset in the second leg if they can produce a similar resolve.

In the other semi-final, it's advantage Afan Lido who were 1-0 winners at fanned Neath in their first leg.

Saints are in seventh heaven

THERE were goals galore for St Martins in division two of the West Midlands League as they romped to a 7-1 triumph at Team Dudley.

Carl Bailey broke the deadlock and also hit the woodwork in a first half dominated by the visitors.

The game was put beyond doubt in the run-up to half-time with goals from Nathan Williams and Tom Mackerall, although Dudley pulled one back at the start of the second half.

However Chris Smout added a fourth when he slotted home a rebound after Mackerall struck the post.

And the visitors added some gloss with Ryan Butcher, Tim Allen and Mackerall finding the net.

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Victory saw TNS restore their two-point lead over defending champions Bangor City who had returned to the summit briefly the night before following their 4-0 drubbing of Prestatyn.

And third placed Neath's own title hopes suffered a major blow as they now find themselves six points adrift in third spot with just five games remaining.

Heath coach Carl Darlington praised another fine team display as Ruscoe showed his worth with the decisive goal.

"When Neath went down to 10 men, we brought on Barry Hogan and Scott Ruscoe and their experience helped us, and Scott makes a habit of scoring big goals in big games."

"Although Bangor won the night before, we went there with no fear and we knew that if we didn't lose then we would go back to the top."

"A draw would not have been the end of the world, but we were delighted to come away with the three points as it keeps the winning mentality."

In a tense affair at The Gnoll last Saturday, TNS defender Steve Evans was forced to clear an early effort from Luke Bowen which had beaten keeper Paul Harrison, but the Saints responded with a Ryan Fraughan piledriver which fizzed across the face of goal.

Blow

Simon Spender blazed over the bar on the half-hour and, just before the break, Alex Darlington beat the offside trap only for keeper Lee Kendall to save low down.

The Eagles' hopes, however, suffered a blow nine minutes after half-time when wingman Chris Jones was dismissed after picking-up a second caution for dissent.

TNS looked to capitalise, with Chris Sargeant's shot inside a crowded Neath box ricochetting to safety as the visitors enjoyed an extended spell of possession against their 10-man opponents.

But the home side were in no mood to surrender, and sounded a warning when former Swansea star Lee Trundle played in Kerr Morgan who picked out Bowen but, through on goal, the hosts' leading scorer opted for a chip which was comfortably saved by Harrison.

With time ticking away, the breakthrough looked increasingly hard to find before Ruscoe, who had come off the bench in the 70th minute, found a way through when drilling a 10-yarder past Kendall.

The title destiny is now firmly in the Saints' own hands with just five games remaining - the first of which is at home to struggling Prestatyn on Friday night.

Injury time spot kick setback for Mario's men

LLANRHAEADR's relegation plight deepened in the Huws Gray Cymru Alliance after being denied by a last-gasp penalty in a 2-2 draw at fellow strugglers Llangefni.

With time fast running out, this was a game that Mario Iaquinta's side desperately needed to win and they looked in sight of the points after goals from Jamie Evans and Alun Jones saw them edge ahead.

But, deep in injury time, they were pegged back by Matt Devine's spot kick, and are now four points adrift of safety with just four games remaining.

Llangefni, who looked doomed to relegation despite the point, took the lead through a Hamish Clifton own goal midway through the first half, but Evans netted a leveller following a scramble and Jones put the visitors ahead.

The encounter ended in heated fashion, with a player from each side sent off, assistant boss and striker Tryfan Prosser for the Anglesey hosts, along with Llanrhaeadr's Josh Wood who found himself somewhat harshly red-carded.

The draw leaves Llanrhaeadr with a battle against the clock if they are to preserve their Cymru Alliance survival, and it adds to the pressure ahead of Saturday's crunch home clash with Powys rivals Gwili.

Boss Iaquinta remained upbeat, saying: "We were missing three players, we had a couple of players who had been ill and a couple of others who had jet lag after coming back from Las Vegas on Friday.

"But they gave everything. I was really proud of them, and we can take a lot of positives. Everyone was down at the end, but for me every time we don't lose in this league is a fantastic achievement."

"It's going to be tough for us to get out of the bottom three, but we'll try and pick up as many points in our last four games and see what happens."

Emyr Roberts, Ben White (who was suspended) and Simon Edwards all missed the game, while several other players were under the weather following illness.

However, they started off well with 17-year-old reserve teamer Tom Bailey impressing at centre half after making his debut in the absence of Roberts.

Yet it was Llangefni who hit the front through a Clifton own goal midway through the first half following a scramble. The Anglesey hosts hit the post, Dan Kelly hooked the ball clear on the goal line but the ball bounced into the net off the chest of Clifton.

Undaunted, Llanrhaeadr hit back as they enjoyed plenty of possession, with Evans levelling in a goal-mouth muddle and Jones then latching onto a pass from Rob Fox to put the visitors ahead.

But they struggled in the second half as illness took its toll, and had to withstand a barrage from the home side who were frustrated as a couple of decisions didn't go their way.

However, they won a penalty in the closing moments, converted by Devine who squeezed his shot past keeper Lee Davies, to earn parity for the Anglesey hosts who themselves also look set for the drop.

White, Roberts and Edwards all return for Saturday's crunch derby with Gwili, but Wood starts a three-match ban after his unfortunate dismissal after being more sinned against than sinning.

New Saints' Chris Sargeant gets past Newtown's Shane Sutton to fire the first goal. Picture: Andrew Lincoln.

TNS kids in final after a thriller

AFTER a thrilling clash, The New Saints reached the final of the FAW Youth Cup for the first time in their history with a fine 5-3 victory over Wrexham at Cefn Druids.

An end-to-end affair was finally settled into deep stoppage time when Scott Quigley completed his hat-trick to seal the victory. Ryan Jones and Tom Allen, with a penalty, also found the net, with the Saints now meeting holders Swanscombe City in the final.

Wrexham hit back just past the hour when a Marsh corner was headed clear by Sean Ellis only as far as Matthew Owen, who returned the ball with interest from 25-yards. Keeper Alex

Ramsay could only parry the shot and Ed Marsh seized on the rebound.

The Saints levelled on 27 minutes when Quigley's shot was blocked by Wrexham keeper Louis Gray and Ryan Jones tucked away the rebound from close range.

Three minutes after the break, TNS took the lead when Daniel Roberts outwitted the keeper to score and red-carded. Sub keeper Louis Moss took over and his first task was to fish Tom Allen's spot kick out of the net.

And, in the 94th-minute, TNS joy was completed when Tim Hardy's long ball forward found Quigley who tucked the ball past Moss for the fifth goal.

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Ellesmere second string aiming for top half**TNS ladies in cup last four**

THE NEW SAINTS may be enjoying cup success at senior and youth level, but the ladies were not to be outdone as they hammered the semi-final of the Shropshire Youth Cup at the Shrewsbury Sports Village.

Ellesmere are also still involved in the Premier Division cup and visit Whitchurch on April 7, as they vie for a place in the quarter-finals.

Stevens, meanwhile, will be looking to his youngsters on Saturday.

The following day, Ellesmere take on All Saints in the semi-final of the Telford 8-0 to reach the semi-final of the Shropshire Women's Challenge Cup.

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Alex Darlington punches the air after scoring his first, and The New Saints' second goal against Newtown

Pool face a test of Steel's strength

by John Bridgwater

KAMARA BACK IN WELSHPOOL TEAM

TROUBLED Welshpool Town may be propping up the Spar Mid Wales League division one – but the sky's the limit once again when sports pundit Chris Kamara makes another appearance for the lowly Lilywhites.

by John Bridgwater

against all the odds this term.

"I knew Sky were doing to do something before the end of the season, but it was a bit of a surprise that Chris has agreed to come down and play again," said manager Dave Jones. "He'll again play in midfield, we can always find a space for him."

And he comes out of retirement a second time as the Lilywhites look to end the season on a high note in their final week of the campaign.

After Pool's plight hit the headlines on Sky's Soccer Saturday over Christmas, the programme's bosses "loaned" out Kamara who made his debut for the Lilywhites against title chasing Rhayader January.

Match highlights were screened by the satellite broadcaster the following week and, although Pool lost the game 6-1 in front of a 500 strong crowd, the 54-year-old ace enjoyed the experience so much that he will appear again on the team sheet.

They have signed former Four Crosses and Welshpool reserve team, midfielder Mark Dutton, while a right winger may also join before the weekend.

It's another welcome boost for the Lilywhites who have battled on gamely

Look who's back – Sky Sports pundit Chris Kamara will be playing again in the Spar Mid Wales League division one next week, turning out once more for Welshpool Town

Oswestry hockey ladies promoted

CELEBRATIONS were in full flow as Oswestry Ladies lifted the Cheshire Hockey League division four crown – and with it promotion to division three next season.

And they did in style with a 6-0 win over visiting Northop Hall, giving them an unassailable lead at the top with just one game

remaining, a rearranged clash at home to Timperley on Saturday.

"We started a bit shaky for the first 10 minutes, but once we got the first goal we settled down and played well," said delighted team manager Tracey Royle.

See page 52 for picture plus more hockey

Dale gives his Rovers a roasting

DALE ROBERTS will be looking for his Waterloo Rovers side to bounce back after suffering what he described as "his lowest point" as manager of the Welshpool club.

Rovers were downed 5-2 at Bow Street last week, and will need to up their game when they host Berriew in Saturday's Spar Mid Wales League Cup quarter-final.

Roberts pulled no punches after the defeat, saying: "Saturday's performance has to be the lowest point since my appointment as Waterloo manager."

"All credit to Bow Street who fully deserved their win based on how they played in the second half but this was a game that we fully expected to win."

"Our second half performance was dismal and the lads realise that the way they played was unacceptable."

Despite going behind, Waterloo were much the better side in the first half with a well placed header from Ricky Litchfield levelling the scores, before Chris Proctor struck from 25 yards just before half-time to give them the lead.

They looked in full control, before falling apart in the second period.

Eagles in last call for title

OSWESTRY know there can be no half measures when they host Dukinfield as they look to keep alive their title dreams in the South Lancs and Cheshire Division Two.

Trailing leaders Ruskin Park by six points with a game in hand, the second-placed Eagles need a win on Saturday against their mid-table rivals to keep up the pressure at the top.

Although Park stole a march with a 50-5 hammering of Moore in the only game in the division last week, Eagles coach Scott Sturdy is backing the border side to handle the heat in their last five outings.

The race for the title and promotion is now a three horse race between Ruskin Park, Oswestry and Crewe and Nantwich, who are still in with a shout two points behind in third spot.

The crunch encounter will be the following week when the Eagles visit title rivals Ruskin Park, but, before then, the border men have to make sure there are no slip-ups on Saturday.

Sturdy said: "It's no point thinking about beating Ruskin Park, if we lose to Dukinfield, Saturday will be a tough game."

"Their league position doesn't reflect what a good side they are, they are no mugs, so we have to front up."

"It's going to be a difficult game for us but, if we do our stuff, then the result will look after itself."

"We can't effect what other teams do, we just have to concentrate on ourselves in our last games."

Rally good race ahead

THE world's top rally drivers come to Welshpool for a big weekend of action, starting tomorrow, in an event that features the Bulldog International rally of North Wales, round two of the televised British Welsh National Rally championship.

Crews from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Eire, France, Finland, Norway, Estonia, USA and Australia will contest the Welshpool-based event.

See page 53 for a full preview of the local interest



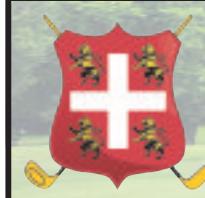
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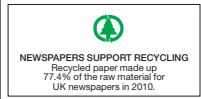
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**KINTON TYTHE
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NESSCLIFFE**
£348,500

A most attractive 4 bedroomead country residence, being one of a pair of converted barns situated in a peaceful, unspoilt hamlet approximately 9 miles north west of Shrewsbury with views over the adjoining countryside. Oil fired heating and exposed beams and timbers, reception hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, rear entrance lobby/utility, cloakroom/shower room with wc, superb first floor sitting room with a vaulted ceiling, second floor study/studio, 4 bedrooms and bathroom. 2 driveways and integral garage. Good sized attractively set out gardens enjoying considerable privacy.



**30 WESTFIELDS
CLOSE
BASCHURCH**
£265,000

A well maintained and spacious, 4 bedroomead detached family house, in an attractive cul-de-sac position, approx 8 miles north west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; reception hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, spacious kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, 3 further good sized bedrooms and family bathroom. Ample parking and integral double garage. Pleasant gardens.



**BROCK COTTAGE
32/33 PRESTON
BROCKHURST**
£325,000

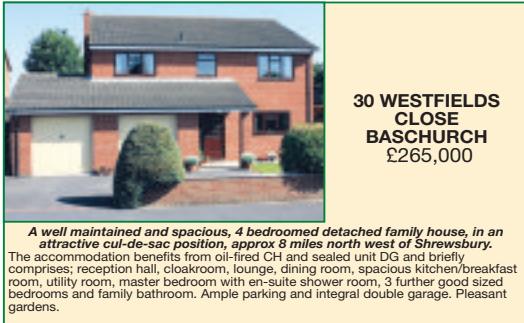
A delightful, charming, detached Grade II, 3 bedroomead Period cottage with a wealth of character including half timbered construction, a self contained flat and the whole enjoying delightful open country views, approximately 12 miles north of Shrewsbury. Entrance hall, cloakroom, dining room, living room, large dining kitchen, utility room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom. Adjoining self contained flat comprising entrance hall, lounge, sun lounge/conservatory, kitchen, bathroom and 2 bedrooms. The whole enjoying good sized gardens and grounds.. Stone, brick and tiled double garage. Oil heating to the main house. The whole enjoying superb views.



**22 KINGS COURT
CHURCH STRETTON**
£115,000

- Well maintained and spacious first floor apartment
- Gas fired CH, DG
- Living room, kitchen, box room
- 2 bedrooms and bathroom
- Garage and attractive communal gardens

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**6 BRIAR CLOSE
MINSTERLEY**

£159,500

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- Gas CH, PVCu DG, cavity wall insulation
- Cloaks, wc, conservatory
- 2 driveways, large garage/workshop
- Pleasant gardens with privacy



**1 HAROLD'S BANK
CHURCH PULVERBATCH**

£159,950

- Delightfully situated character cottage
- Living room with multi-fuel stove and exposed timbers
- Kitchen, bathroom, landing, bedroom
- Parking, stores and summer house
- Productive good sized gardens



**SIENA
HOMER
MUCH WENLOCK**
£279,500

A spacious individual 3 bedroomead detached house with the attraction of an adjoining self-contained one-bedroomed bungalow in a peaceful, small village with delightful views approx 10 miles South East of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and cavity wall insulation and briefly comprises; enclosed entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, sitting room, conservatory, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. The adjoining bungalow comprises; entrance hall, living room, kitchenette, bedroom and bathroom. Ample parking and integral garage. Pleasant well stocked gardens to 3 sides.



**WOOD COTTAGE
CUTBURY HOLLOW
FITZ**
£315,000

A charming, well appointed and spacious detached country cottage of character in a delightful rural setting with views across the River Severn, approx 5 miles north west of Shrewsbury. Oil fired CH from a Stanley cooking range and wood effect, PVCu sealed unit DG, entrance porch, hallway, sitting room, large conservatory/garden room, dining/living room, kitchen, utility/study, cloakroom/shower room with WC, inner hall, annex providing bed/sitting room, 2 first floor double bedrooms and good sized bathroom. Ample parking and standing space for caravan/boat etc. Pleasant gardens including sheltered terrace with BBQ area. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE



**3 CHESTNUT CLOSE
HANWOOD**
£285,000

A tastefully enlarged and most attractive 5 bedroomead detached family house in a pleasant and convenient village cul-de-sac position, approximately 4 miles south west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH and PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises recessed entrance porch, reception hall, cloakroom/shower room with wc, lounge, dining room, conservatory, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, 4 bedrooms and study/bedroom 5, large family bathroom with bath and shower. Parking and large integral garage. Sheltered garden planned for ease of maintenance. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE.



**PANT COTTAGE
OLD CHURCHSTOKE**
£285,000

A charming, tastefully extended and well appointed 3 bedroomead detached country cottage in a totally unspoilt peaceful, rural setting, nestling amongst the hills that form the Shropshire/Powys border, approximately 20 miles south west of Shrewsbury and 1½ miles from the village of Churchstoke. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG with leaded lights and briefly comprises; dining room, sitting room, conservatory, kitchen, utility, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. Outside excellent parking facilities, large timber clad barn/workshop, greenhouse, gardens and grounds including woodlands extending to approximately 2½ acres in all.



**THE BARN
MARSH GREEN**
£295,000

A most attractive and spacious barn conversion with adaptable accommodation in a peaceful, unspoilt rural setting approximately 9 miles east of Shrewsbury and 6 miles from Wellington, Telford. The adaptable accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, 2 ground floor bedrooms with a large Jack and Jill wet room (ideal for those with disabilities/special needs) 3 first floor bedrooms and bathroom. Ample parking, small courtyard garden with patio and decking.



**5 CHESTNUT CLOSE
FOUR CROSSES**
£235,000

An attractively designed and beautifully appointed modern, 4 bedroomead detached family house, in a pleasant fringe of village position, approximately 15 miles West of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and PVCu sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; recessed entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom/wc, lounge, dining room, conservatory, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, guest bedroom with en-suite shower room, 2 further bedrooms and family bathroom. Integral garage. Ample parking. Attractively landscaped gardens, which are fully enclosed to the rear.



**ROCK COTTAGE
CASTLE
PULVERBATCH**
£159,500

A charming and spacious 2 bedroomead, part timbered, semi-detached cottage of character, situated in a small village approximately 8 miles south west of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH, PVCu sealed unit DG and a wealth of exposed beams and timbers and briefly comprises; enclosed entrance porch, reception hall, sitting room, dining/living room, rear entrance lobby, cloakroom with wc, kitchen, spacious landing, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. Small enclosed terraced garden. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE.



**7 WELLCROFT
MYDDLE**
£295,000

A most attractively designed, spacious and well appointed, 5 bedroom, modern detached family house, in a pleasant end of cul-de-sac village position, approximately 8 miles north of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from gas fired CH, sealed unit DG, cavity wall insulation and a security system and briefly comprises; entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom, spacious through lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with dressing area and en suite shower room, 4 further bedrooms, family bathroom and shower room. Good parking and double garage. Beautifully set out gardens planned for low maintenance. NO CHAIN IMMEDIATE POSSESSION AVAILABLE.



**8 HOLCROFT WAY
CROSS HOUSES**
£179,500

A most attractive and immaculately maintained modern 3 bedroomead semi-detached house in a pleasant village cul-de-sac position, approximately 5 miles south east of Shrewsbury, and also well placed for access to Telford and Much Wenlock. The accommodation benefits from off peak electric heating and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; entrance hall, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, 3 bedrooms and bathroom. Enclosed rear garden, ample parking, garage and store. NO UPWARD CHAIN



**BRAEWAY
PRESCOTT ROAD
BASCHURCH**
£239,950

A spacious detached chalet residence offering generous family accommodation located in this popular village situated 8 miles north west of Shrewsbury. The spacious and adaptable accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; entrance hall, cloakroom with WC, reception hall/dining room, living room, fitted breakfast kitchen, utility room, inner hall, 2 ground floor bedrooms, bathroom with shower. First floor master bedroom suite with en-suite bathroom. Driveway and parking, integral garage, gardens with outlooks over open fields to the rear.



**4 QUARRY CLOSE
MYDDLE**
£325,000

A truly spacious and attractively designed 5 bedroomead detached family house in a pleasant private cul-de-sac position, situated approx 8 miles North of Shrewsbury. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH, sealed unit DG and a security system and briefly comprises; recessed entrance porch, entrance hall, cloakroom and wc, well proportioned lounge, dining room, conservatory, sitting room/study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, master bedroom with shower room and dressing area, 4 further bedrooms and large family bathroom. Ample parking and detached double garage. Delightful secluded and sheltered gardens. NO CHAIN.



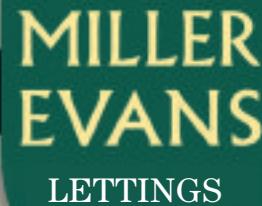
**OAKLANDS
WIGMORE LANE
WATTLBOROUGH**
£399,000

A beautifully appointed and substantial, modern, 5 bedroomead detached family house, situated on the fringe of the village at the end of a short private drive shared with 2 other properties, with views over the adjoining open countryside to the rear. Approximately 9 miles west of Shrewsbury and a similar distance from Welshpool. LP gas fired CH and oak effect PVCu sealed unit DG, canopies entrance porch, impressive reception hall, cloakroom with wc, large well proportioned lounge, study, dining/family room, luxuriously appointed open-plan kitchen/breakfast room/living room, utility room, master bedroom with luxuriously appointed en suite bathroom, guest bedroom with en suite shower room, 3 further bedrooms and family bathroom. Ample parking and substantial detached double garage and store. Pleasant enclosed rear garden.



**2 BREIDDEN VIEW
MIDDLETON**
£209,500

A well appointed and most attractive, modern 4 bedroomead detached house, in a slightly elevated village cul-de-sac position, approximately 12 miles west of Shrewsbury and 6 miles from Welshpool. The accommodation benefits from oil fired CH and sealed unit DG and briefly comprises; recessed entrance porch, reception hall, lounge, kitchen/dining room, utility room, cloakroom with wc, study, master bedroom with en suite shower room, 3 further bedrooms and bathroom. Ample parking. gardens planned for ease of maintenance. No upward chain.



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SHREWSBURY**

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STATION ROAD
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**3 CORNHOUSE APARTMENTS
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**2 WATERGATE MANSIONS
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SHAWBURY**

- Well presented semi detached property • 3 bedrooms • Fitted kitchen • Living room • Dining room • Conservatory • Bathroom • Carpets & curtains • GCH • Front & rear gardens £595 ppcm



**3 WALCOT ROAD
RODINGTON**

- Newly carpeted semi detached house overlooking open countryside • 3 Bedrooms (2 double, 1 single) • Kitchen • Sitting room with open fire • Bathroom • Carpets • OCH • Large gardens with sheds • Parking £595 ppcm



**214 THE CEDARS
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**19 ALVERLEY CLOSE
COPTHORNE**

- Detached family bungalow • 3 Bedrooms • Sitting room • Dining room • Kitchen • Cloakroom • Bathroom with shower attachment • Carpets • GCH • Garage • Gardens £625 ppcm



**KELD
ANNSCROFT**

- Mature detached country bungalow about 5 miles south west of Shrewsbury • 3 bedrooms (2 double, 1 single) • Kitchen • Sitting room • Dining room • Conservatory • Bathroom with shower • GCH £675 ppcm



**CHAPEL HOUSE
MAESBROOK
OSWESTRY**

- Mature detached property • 4 Bedrooms • Cloakroom/shower room • Living room • Dining room • Sitting room • Kitchen • Conservatory • Utility room • Bathroom with shower • Garden • Car parking • OCH • Carpets £695 ppcm



**10 PAXTON PLACE
COPTHORNE**

- Recently decorated & carpeted detached house in pleasant cul de sac position available long term • 3 bedrooms 1 with en suite • Kitchen with cooker/hob • Sitting room • Bathroom • Carpets • GCH • Garden • Garage & driveway £695 ppcm



**5 CHESTNUT CLOSE
FOUR CROSSES**

- Modern detached house • 4 bedrooms (2 with en suite) • Cloakroom • Lounge • Conservatory • Kitchen/breakfast room • Utility room • Bathroom • OCH • Gardens • Integral garage & parking £700 ppcm



**42 BISHOP STREET
CHERRY ORCHARD**

- Mature semi detached • 3 bedrooms • Living room • Dining room • Conservatory • Kitchen with fridge, freezer & cooker • Bathroom with shower • Carpets • GCH • Carpets • Garden • On street parking £750 ppcm



**THE OLD SMITHY
NESSCLIFFE**

- Attractive detached cottage • 4 bedrooms (2 double & 2 single, master with ensuite) • Cloakroom • Lounge • Spacious kitchen/diner • Utility room • Bathroom • Carpets • OCH • Garage & parking • Garden £850 ppcm



**75 FALCONS WAY
MYTTON OAK**

Modern detached house with outstanding rear views over open countryside, quietly located in cul de sac position close to hospitals & available long term • 4 bedrooms (3 double, 1 single - 1 en suite) • Kitchen with appliances • Lounge with balcony • Dining room • Bathroom with shower • Cloakroom • Study • Carpets • GCH • Garden, driveway & garage £850 ppcm



**16 NEW COLLEGE
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**1 COB GROVE
BOMERIE HEATH**

- Spacious detached dormer bungalow • 5 bedrooms (1 with en suite) • Hallway • Open plan kitchen/dining room • Lounge • Bathroom with shower • Carpets • GCH • Double glazing • Gardens • Garage £975 ppcm



**20 PENGWERN
ROAD
PORTHILL**

Spacious detached family house located in much sought after residential area close to all amenities and within a four minute walk of town centre • 3 double bedrooms (master with ensuite) • Kitchen • Utility • Lounge • Conservatory • Study/4th bedroom • Bathroom with shower • GCH • Carpets • Garden • Garage & driveway £1,200 ppcm



**ST CHADS FARM
HOPTON**

Spacious detached newly built country residence in pleasant hamlet north west of Shrewsbury • 5 double bedrooms (2 with ensuite) • Entrance hallway • Cloakroom • Sitting room lounge • Living kitchen • Through lounge/dining room • Study • Utility room • Family bathroom • Double glazing • Gardens • Garage & parking • OCH £1,450 ppcm



**WOODBURY
HOUSE
2 WESTFIELDS
CHURCH
STRETTON**

- Detached spacious residence with views of the Stretton Hills • 4 bedrooms (2 with ensuite) • Lounge • Dining room • Snug • Conservatory • Kitchen with appliances • Utility • WC • Dressing room • Bathroom • Integrated annex with own access featuring: Kitchen, lounge, bedroom, Shower room • GCH • Double garage & parking • Gardens £1,500 ppcm

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Guide Price: £635,000

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Hazler Road, Church Stretton

A 1930's gentleman's residence, situated in this small luxury gated development offering spacious accommodation comprising; entrance porch, feature entrance hall, drawing room, dining room, sun room, kitchen/breakfast room/study, utility room, back hallway, boot room, boiler room, cloakroom, landing, five bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a shower room. The property is situated on the outskirts of the popular market town of Church Stretton and has the benefits of oil CH, garaging, well maintained gardens and elevated views over the town and Shropshire hills.

VIEWING STRICTLY BY APPOINTMENT

Guide Price: £485,000

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NO CHAIN

Plealey

A substantial period barn conversion situated in the extremely desirable village of Plealey, located approx six miles south west of Shrewsbury. Extensive accommodation; hall, large inner hallway, vaulted sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, large family room, boot room/store room, downstairs cloakroom, utility room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further double bedrooms, family bathroom. Set in good sized gardens enjoying lovely open outlooks over countryside towards Pontesbury and Pontefract Hills. Gas CH, oak framed DG, large garage, further carport with workshop above.

Guide Price: £465,000

2853



SMALLHOLDING ALMOST 7 ACRES

Ford, Nr Shrewsbury

A registered smallholding comprising a delightful period, detached stone built country house, dating back approx 200 years, having dual oil and solid fuel CH, mainly uPVC DG, numerous outbuildings, large garaging/workshop, gardens, four paddocks, amounting in all to nearly seven acres or thereabouts. Occupying a convenient position in the village, about four and a half miles west of Shrewsbury. Lounge, dining room, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room with large piano, utility room/WC, four bedrooms, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £465,000

2885



INCLUDING SINGLE BUILDING PLOT

High Street, Clive

A substantial mature property, situated on the outskirts of the village Clive, set in gardens and grounds extending to approx 0.5 acre, with the added benefit of OPP for a detached single storey dwelling within the existing gardens. Large reception hall, sitting room, dining room, study, large kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, downstairs WC, boot room, large master bedroom, further guest room with en-suite shower room, two further double bedrooms, family bathroom, cloakroom/WC. Hardwood DG, gas CH, good sized double garage block.

Guide Price: £459,500

2834



REAR VIEW

Hall Bank, Pontesbury

An extremely spacious substantial detached family house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, large double garage, gardens to three sides and grassed paddock to the rear together. Occupying a pleasant semi rural position with delightful views, within very short walking distance of the village centre. Hall, cloaks, WC, three receptions, kitchen/breakfast room, utility conservatory, four bedrooms, en-suite bathroom, en-suite shower room, large family bathroom. On the second floor is a very large multi-purpose room which could be used as extra bedroom accommodation, games room, further office etc.

Guide Price: £435,000

2824



INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Station Road, Pontesbury

A spacious, detached property occupying a private yet central position in this popular village within walking distance of local amenities. Porch, feature reception hall, sitting room, dining room, family room/study, large conservatory, luxury fitted kitchen/breakfast room with adjoining utility, four good sized double bedrooms, en-suite bathroom, family bathroom. The property has quality fittings throughout and has been maintained to a high standard, PVC DG, gas CH, good sized single garage attached, ample parking to the front, and private good size cottage gardens to the rear.

Guide Price: £425,000

2931



INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Grinshill, Shrewsbury

An individually designed detached house occupying a lovely position on the outskirts of this highly desirable village, approx six miles north of Shrewsbury. Accommodation on two floors the majority being on the upper floor and giving access to the upper garden. 1st floor landing, sitting room, dining room/family room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, bathroom, master bedroom with en-suite, two further bedrooms, study/bed 5, conservatory, on the lower floor is hall, cloakroom, studio/bed 4 and garage. Enjoying lovely elevated views over countryside, good size gardens offer a high degree of privacy.

Guide Price: £425,000



EXTREMELY SPACIOUS SUPERBLY LOCATED

Great Ness, Shrewsbury

An extremely spacious and superbly located four double bedroom detached family house having oil CH, UPVC DG, double garage, ample parking and large gardens. The very spacious accommodation is immaculately presented, comprising; porch, reception hall, 26' living room, 26' kitchen/dining room, large family room, study, ground floor WC and rear hall/utility, landing, four double bedrooms, contemporary en-suite shower room, and luxurious family bathroom.

Guide Price: £379,000



Montford Bridge, Shrewsbury

A detached bungalow located in the pretty hamlet of Myton, situated six miles north-west of the market town of Shrewsbury with entrance lobby, large central reception hall, sitting room with log burner, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room/side hallway, master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, two further bedrooms and family shower room, propane gas central heating, PVC double glazing and attached single garage. The property has the benefit of recently refitted solar panels which supply surplus electricity. Contact agents for further details.

Guide Price: £350,000



Asty Court, Astley

A spacious, superbly appointed, detached barn conversion, enjoying a pleasant position within this courtyard setting in the village of Astley, located about four miles north east of Shrewsbury. Converted about 17 years ago it has been considerably updated by the present owners, having gas CH, wood framed DG, parking and courtyard style gardens. Reception hall, cloakroom/WC, living room, conservatory, farmhouse style kitchen/dining room, family room/office, utility room, part gallery landing, four good sized bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom.

Guide Price: £340,000

2943



WITH LARGE DOUBLE GARAGE

Beeches Lane, Shrewsbury

A third floor penthouse apartment occupying a central location within the town centre, enjoying lovely views over the rooftops and having the benefit of a substantial outside space having large decking area and balconies. Entrance hall, central hallway, open plan living area with sitting room area, dining room area and fitted kitchen; three double bedrooms (one with en-suite shower room, one Jack & Jill bathroom serving the other two bedrooms) and further cloakroom with WC. Wood framed double glazing, electric heating and an extremely large tandem garage providing parking for two cars plus storage.

Guide Price: £325,000

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Llandrinio, Llanymynech

An attractive and deceptively spacious detached dormer style house with oil CH, uPVC DG, ample parking, garage, and garden. Occupying a very convenient position in the village, about 12 miles from Shrewsbury. Reception hall, living room, dining room, recently fitted luxury kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor bedroom and bathroom, landing, three further good size bedrooms, and separate WC.

Guide Price: £232,500



The Bog, Minsterley

A detached cottage occupying an idyllic location set in the south Shropshire hills, entrance porch, sitting room with log burner, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, small study, downstairs bathroom, upstairs there is one double and one single bedroom. The property sits in gardens and small paddock area extending to 0.83 of an acre or thereabouts with a large galvanised and timber constructed shed/carport and further block built former shippon which would make an ideal store/workshop.

Guide Price: £230,000



Broome, Aston on Clun

A well presented semi detached bungalow occupying a central position in the pretty hamlet of Broome, situated approximately 3 1/2 miles from Craven Arms. Entrance porch, inner hallway, sitting room, conservatory, kitchen, utility room, shower room, two double bedrooms and family bathroom. PVC DG throughout, oil fired central heating and ample parking together with large single timber garage and adjoining workshop, summer house. The gardens are particularly noteworthy, running to a good size with further large chicken run situated to the rear.

Guide Price: £220,000



**NEW
Llanwyddelan, Newtown**

An extremely spacious four double bedromed semi detached family house, originally dating back to about 1900 having been considerably extended and superbly modernised. Oil fired central heating, UPVC sealed unit double glazing, ample parking and delightful gardens. The spacious and versatile accommodation is presented to a very high standard including many features and refinements and is worthy of a full inspection. Reception hall, sitting room, living room/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor WC and on the first floor, large landing, four double bedrooms, contemporary en-suite shower room with WC and superbly equipped family bathroom with WC.

Guide Price: £205,000



Snailbeach, Minsterley

An attractive, extremely spacious, semi-detached character cottage, with oil CH, mostly sealed unit DG, garage and large elevated gardens with raised decking area enjoying magnificent views to the front. Occupying a central elevated position in the village, about two miles from the large village of Minsterley having a range of amenities, and being about 13 miles southwest of Shrewsbury. Hallway, inner reception hall, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, living room, sitting room/conservatory, WC, large store/passage way, three bedrooms, very large five piece bathroom, first floor decking area.

Guide Price: £199,950



Lower Cross, Cross Houses

A deceptively spacious and superbly modernised, extended semi detached family house with good sized gardens and ample on-site parking. The property also has the benefit of garaging block including single garage, double glazed office and shower room with WC, and occupies a pleasant position in this popular village with a variety of local amenities. The property is superbly presented and offers reception hall, living room, dining room opening into magnificently appointed kitchen/family room, ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms and shower room.

Guide Price: £198,500



Tankerville Street, Cherry Orchard

A spacious, mature semi-detached house offering accommodation on three floors comprising; entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, first floor landing, double bedroom and large bathroom, second floor landing, two further double bedrooms. The property has gas fired CH, private rear garden, conveniently situated being within easy walking distance of local amenities and the town centre itself.

Guide Price: £192,000



Stiperstones, Snailbeach

A deceptively spacious, detached dormer bungalow, oil CH, part uPVC and part hardwood frame DG, ample parking, garden area to side and rear, bounded on two sides by rockface. It occupies a very pleasant semi-rural position on the fringe of the village, about four miles from Minsterley. Hall, large living room/dining room, fitted kitchen, ground floor bathroom, ground floor double bedroom, large utility room, staircase to first floor, further double bedroom with door to area ready for en-suite, small box room and two further potential bedrooms either side of the stairwell.

Guide Price: £179,950



Kinnerley, Oswestry

A well presented semi-detached property situated in a lovely location on the outskirts of the village of Kinnerley, enjoying lovely views over brook and woodland to the rear. Hall, downstairs cloakroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Oil CH, PVC DG, large detached single garage, lovely rear gardens set in two sections running down to feature brook and enjoying lovely open outlooks. The village of Kinnerley has a good assortment of amenities including church, pub, shop and primary school.

Guide Price: £177,500



**NO CHAIN
Callow Crescent, Minsterley**

An attractive and extremely spacious, considerably extended, semi-detached family house, having gas CH, DG, garage, sheds and very good size gardens. Hall, living room, dining room opening into kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, ground floor cloaks/WC, landing, four bedrooms and family bathroom. It occupies a pleasant and very convenient position in this popular village having a wide range of amenities within walking distance and being about 10 miles south west of Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £173,000



NO CHAIN

Moss Lane, Muckleton

A charming three bedroom semi detached country cottage, having oil fired CH, uPVC DG, ample on-site parking and very good sized lawned garden with large workshop/garden store. It is situated in the popular hamlet of Muckleton, being about four miles from Stowbridge having a wide range of local amenities, about 11 miles from Shrewsbury. It occupies a delightful rural position, enjoying superb views to the front and rear over open countryside. Hall, living room, large kitchen/breakfast room, side hallway, ground floor bathroom, landing, three bedrooms and first floor WC.

Guide Price: £170,000



NO CHAIN

Radbrook Green, Shrewsbury

A modern three bedroomed semi detached house, with gas fired central heating, upvc sealed unit double glazing, upvc conservatory and gardens to the front and rear, delightfully set for ease of maintenance. The accommodation briefly comprises, hall, living room, dining room, upvc conservatory, fitted kitchen, and comprehensively fitted utility room and store room. On the first floor are landing, three bedrooms and bathroom with WC. N.B The utility room and store room are the former garage and if required the partition could be removed and could be restored to garaging.

Guide Price: £169,950



NO CHAIN

King Street, Cherry Orchard

A well presented Victorian mid-terrace cottage situated in the very popular area within easy walking distance of the town centre and local amenities. Entrance hall with original tiled floor, sitting room, dining room and kitchen/breakfast room, upstairs there are two good size bedrooms, together with family bathroom. It has the benefits of partial double glazing, gas fired central heating, neatly kept manageable gardens and garage/workshop.

Guide Price: £164,900

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Minsterley, Shrewsbury

A detached, double fronted, period cottage situated on the outskirts of the village of Minsterley. With entrance porch, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms and dining/breakfast room. Upstairs there are two further bedrooms. The property has mains gas central heating, partial PVC DG and a timber and galvanised garage/workshop.

Guide Price: £159,950



Hollies Drive, Bayston Hill

An attractive, three bedroom semi-detached family house, with gas CH, sealed unit double glazing, GF central heating, large garage including WC, rear kitchen extension, large garden to the rear and garage which opens onto open fields and have incredible views to the rear towards Meole Brace and Shrewsbury.

Reception hall, large living room / dining room, extended kitchen, large attached garage including WC, landing, three bedrooms, and bathroom.

Guide Price: £159,500



Comet Drive, Shrewsbury

An attractive, three bedroom semi-detached family house, with gas CH, sealed unit double glazing, GF central heating, large garage including WC, rear kitchen extension, large garden to the rear and garage which opens onto open fields and have incredible views to the rear towards Meole Brace and Shrewsbury.

Reception hall, large living room / dining room, extended kitchen, large attached garage including WC, landing, three bedrooms, and bathroom.

Guide Price: £155,000



Myddle, Shrewsbury

A well presented semi detached property offering with large through lounge/dining room, three good sized bedrooms and family bathroom. The property has the benefit of PVC DG, gas fired central heating, off street parking to the front with lovely gardens to the rear enjoying open outlooks over fields and a pleasant sunny aspect.

Guide Price: £144,950



Orchard Drive, Minsterley

A good size two bedroom semi detached property, having the benefit of gas fired central heating, PVC double glazing and ample off street parking for up to three cars incorporating space for a garage subject to the necessary planning permission. Accommodation brief includes; entrance hall, sitting room/dining room, recently re-fitted kitchen, two good size bedrooms and a recently re-fitted bathroom. The property occupies a quiet position within easy walking distance of local amenities and is situated approximately nine miles south west of the county town of Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £129,950



NO CHAIN

Worthen, Shrewsbury

An extremely unusual conversion, offering spacious accommodation; open plan living area incorporating sitting room and kitchen/dining area, adjoining large workshop/former garage, large master bedroom/upstairs sitting room, two further bedrooms and family bathroom. PVC DG, electric heating. It occupies a central position in the village situated approx. 13 miles south-west of Shrewsbury. Please note the property does not have a garden but has an established parking space to the front.

Guide Price: £139,500



2868



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

An end of terrace mature cottage, requiring some modernisation and upgrading, with sitting room, kitchen, downstairs shower room and bedroom. The property has parking for up to four cars with ample enclosed gardens to the rear. The property occupies a central position in the village, close to a range of local amenities and conveniently located for travel to Shrewsbury, Oswestry and Welshpool.

Guide Price: £79,950



Four Crosses, Llanymynech

An attractive semi-detached country cottage, in need of complete modernisation and renovation, and having very good size rear garden. Living room, dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, landing, two bedrooms, bathroom. The property is a good side position in the village. Four Crosses having a range of local amenities, and being easily accessible for Welshpool, Oswestry and Shrewsbury.

Guide Price: £75,000



Middletown, Welshpool

An extremely well appointed and modern park home, only about one year old and having LP gas CH, UPVC DG, garden areas with shed, and communal parking. Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, two bedrooms, bathroom and conservatory. Middletown having a variety of local amenities, which is located midway between Welshpool and Shrewsbury.

INVESTMENT RECOMMENDED

Guide Price: £68,000



NO CHAIN

BUILDING PLOTS

A parcel of development land with OPP for the erection of two detached dwellings. Plot C measures approximately 360 square metres, and Plot D measures approximately 350 square metres. The plots are offered for sale as a pair.

Contact Agents for further details.

Guide Price: £160,000

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Ellesmere Road, Shrewsbury

- A second floor studio apartment
- Open plan living area and bathroom
- Gas CH, DG
- Single parking space

Available beginning of April

£275 pcm



TO LET

Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury

A selection of ground floor and first floor apartments; one bedroom, one bedroom and bathroom. There is an allocated space with each apartment.

From £380 pcm



NEW

Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury

- A Mid terrace house
- Sitting room, diner/ kitchen, two bedrooms
- Family bathroom and conservatory
- Small garden, parking
- Gas CH and DG

TO LET

£550 pcm



NEW

Osborne Close, Castlefields

- A mid terraced property
- Entrance hall, sitting room, kitchen/dining room
- Downstairs WC, Two bedrooms, bathroom, Parking space, gas CH and DG
- Within easy walking distance of the town centre
- Available Now

£575 pcm



TO LET

Wenlock Road, Shrewsbury

- A detached bungalow
- Hall, sitting room, breakfast kitchen with cooker
- Two double bedrooms, en-suite shower room, bathroom
- Garden, carport and parking
- Rent includes gardener

Available mid April

£695 pcm



TO LET

St Michaels Street, Shrewsbury

- A mid terraced mature property
- Three story within easy walking distance of Shrewsbury town centre
- Open plan living area, two bedrooms, gas CH, DG
- Small garden with on street parking

Available now

£485 pcm



TO LET

Cruckton, Nr Shrewsbury

- A brand new luxury barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, cloakroom, bathroom
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Parking for two cars, communal gardens
- Available Now

£675 pcm



TO LET

Horton, Cruckton

- A two storey listed barn conversion
- Sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, WC
- Two bedrooms, bathroom and separate shower
- Garden and parking
- Available Now

£650 pcm



TO LET

Horton, Cruckton

- A brand new barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, cloakroom, bathroom
- Master bedroom with en-suite shower room
- Two further bedrooms, bathroom
- DG, parking, communal garden, option on garage
- Available Now

£750 pcm



TO LET

Wallop, Westbury

- A mature detached house
- Hall, sitting room, dining room
- Study, kitchen, cloakroom/shower room
- Three bedrooms, family bathroom
- Oil CH, garage, garden, outbuildings, plus 4.75 acres of land
- Available early April

£875 pcm

R0466



TO LET

Dorrington, Nr Shrewsbury

- A semi-detached barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- En-suite, family bathroom
- Oil CH, allocated parking space
- Available fully furnished if required for £795 pcm
- Available Now

£700 pcm

R0449



TO LET

Frodesley, Shrewsbury

- A Grade II Listed, mid terrace of three, luxury barn conversion
- Reception hall, sitting room, luxury fitted kitchen/dining room, downstairs cloakroom
- Master bedroom with en-suite shower, two double bedrooms, family bathroom
- Gas CH, parking, good sized gardens
- Available Now

£800 pcm



TO LET

Leebotwood, Church Stretton

- A Grade II Listed, brand new barn conversion
- Hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast area, downstairs WC
- Four bedrooms, en-suite, family bathroom. Double garage
- Land and stables available by separate negotiation
- Available now

£775 pcm



TO LET

Briar Close, Minsterley

- A mature detached bungalow
- Hall, cloakroom, sitting room
- Kitchen with some appliances, inner hallway
- Two bedrooms, and bathroom
- Gas CH, gardens, shed.
- Available Now

£500 pcm



TO LET

Minsterley, Shropshire

- A semi detached period cottage
- Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room
- Study, kitchen, cloakroom/shower room
- Two bedrooms and family bathroom
- Parking, garden with outbuilding, Oil and LPG heating
- Two acres of land and stabling available by separate negotiation
- Available Now

£595 pcm



TO LET

Hyssington, Churchstoke

- A Grade II Listed black & white former farmhouse
- Hall, sitting room, parlour, kitchen/diner
- Two bedrooms and family bathroom
- Parking, garden with outbuilding, Oil and LPG heating
- Two acres of land and stabling available by separate negotiation
- Available Now

£575 pcm

R0556



TO LET

Cockshutt, Ellesmere

- A mid terrace property
- Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room
- Kitchen, three bedrooms, two with own WC and wash basin facilities
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Medium sized garden, parking for two vehicles
- Oil, CH, DG

£550 pcm



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 Garage, parking, established gardens
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38 FOTHERGILL WAY, WEM
£269,950
 Beautifully presented family house
 Lounge, conservatory, dining room
 Fitted breakfast kitchen & utility
 Master bed, dressing room & en-suite
 Guest bed with en-suite
 Two further bedrooms & bathroom
 Established gardens, double garage
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5 BROOK DRIVE, WEM
£227,500
 Versatile detached bungalow
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 Three bedrooms, shower room
 Parking, garage, workshop
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19 SWAIN CLOSE, WEM
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 Modern detached family house
 Hall, cloakroom, through lounge/diner
 Family breakfast kitchen with utility
 Master bedroom with en-suite
 Three further double bedrooms
 Bathroom, garage & gardens
 Viewing recommended
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19 MARLCROFT, WEM
£235,000
 Extended detached house
 Lounge, dining room, sun room
 Kitchen, utility, WC
 Study, family room/bedroom 4
 Three bedrooms, bathroom
 Garage, excellent gardens
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31 ECKFORD PARK, WEM
£175,000
 Spacious detached bungalow
 Lounge, dining room, kitchen
 Two double bedrooms, shower room
 Garage, parking, rear garden
 No upward chain, popular location
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21 RODEN GROVE, WEM
£165,000
 Modern detached house
 CH & DG, Reception hall
 Lounge & kitchen
 Conservatory
 Three bedrooms & bathroom
 Enclosed rear garden
 Carport & driveway
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13 TILLEY ROAD, WEM
£159,995
 Mature detached bungalow
 Enviable position
 Lounge, breakfast kitchen
 Two bedrooms, bathroom
 Established gardens, parking
 Garage & tarmac driveway
 Scope for modernisation, no chain
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34 ISHERWOODS WAY, WEM
£135,000
 Recently constructed mews house
 In this popular development
 Reception hall, cloakroom
 Lounge, kitchen/dining room
 Two bedrooms, bathroom
 Rear garden, parking for two cars
 No chain. Viewing recommended
 Wem 01939 234368



15 HARRIS CROFT, WEM
£134,950
 Well presented terraced house
 Double glazing, GCH
 Lounge, kitchen/breakfast room
 Three bedrooms
 Refitted bathroom
 Enclosed rear garden
 Ample parking
 Viewing essential
 Wem 01939 234368



7 CHAPEL STREET, WEM
£129,500
 Stunning town property
 Dating back to 17th century
 Lounge with inglenook fireplace
 Dining room & kitchen
 Two bedrooms & bathroom
 Enclosed garden, no chain
 Wem 01939 234368



24 LOWE HILL GARDENS, WEM
£124,995
 Mature semi-detached house
 Enviable corner position
 Quiet cul de sac. Gas CH & DG
 Spacious lounge/dining room
 Kitchen, utility stores & WC
 Three bedrooms, bathroom
 Gardens. No upward chain
 Wem 01939 234368



20 FISMES WAY, WEM
£119,950
 Spacious bungalow
 Lounge/dining room
 Kitchen
 Double bedroom
 Newly fitted shower room
 Parking & garden area
 Wem 01939 234368



11 CHAPEL STREET, WEM
£99,950
 Superbly presented terrace
 Open plan lounge/dining/kitchen
 Luxury refitted shower room
 Two bedrooms, rear courtyard
 Ideal for first time buyer
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59 HARRIS CROFT, WEM
£99,950
 Recently built apartment
 Excellent lounge/dining room
 Kitchen with oven & hob
 Double bedroom
 Bathroom, personal parking
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SPRINGFIELD, NEW STREET, WEM
£385,000
 Edwardian detached family home
 Wealth of original period features
 Lounge, sitting room, study/family room
 Family kitchen/dining room
 Master bedroom with dressing room
 Five further bedrooms
 Shower room & bathroom
 Driveway, garage & gardens
 Wem 01939 234368



JALNA, SOULTON RD, WEM
£335,000
 Improved & extended family home
 Lounge with feature fireplace
 Open plan kitchen/dining/family room
 Master bed, dressing room & en-suite
 Two further bedrooms, bathroom
 Delightful gardens, garage, parking
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THE MEADOWS, POST OFFICE LANE, WHIXALL
£269,950
 Modern detached family house
 Lounge, dining room, study
 Fabulous family kitchen, utility
 Master bedroom with ensuite
 Three further bedrooms, bathroom
 Double garage, parking & garden
 Stamp duty paid subject to conditions
 Wem 01939 234368



48 ASTON STREET, WEM
£240,000
 Excellent, versatile family house
 Lounge, study, sitting room
 Fully fitted kitchen/breakfast room
 Master bedroom with en-suite
 Two further bedrooms, bathroom
 Excellent garage/workshop/offices
 Parking, garden
 Viewing recommended
 Wem 01939 234368



1 PHEASANT CLOSE, PREES
£219,950
 Modern detached house
 Lounge, dining room
 Refitted kitchen & utility
 Master bedroom with en-suite
 Three further bedrooms, bathroom
 Garage, parking, rear garden
 Wem 01939 234368



8 HIGH STREET, WEM
£187,500
 Period town house with shop frontage
 Dining room with inglenook fireplace
 Refitted kitchen/breakfast room
 Utility, cloakroom, cellar
 Lounge, four double bedrooms
 Bathrooms & en-suite
 Private walled garden, no chain
 Wem 01939 234368



54 KYNSTON DRIVE, WEM
£165,000
 Attractive detached bungalow
 Spacious lounge/dining room
 Newly fitted kitchen
 Two good sized bedrooms
 Newly fitted bathroom
 Garage, parking, gardens
 Wem 01939 234368



119 TRENTHAM ROAD, WEM
£159,500
 Detached bungalow
 Spacious lounge/dining room
 Sun room, kitchen
 Two bedrooms
 Refitted shower room
 Garage, parking, gardens
 Wem 01939 234368



20 SOMERSET WAY, WEM
£154,950
 Modern semi-detached house
 Spacious lounge, family room
 Refitted kitchen/dining room
 Three bedrooms, refitted bathroom
 Garage, parking, rear garden
 Wem 01939 234368



14 THE GROVE, WEM
£149,950
 Extended three bedroom house
 Lounge, dining room, conservatory
 Refitted kitchen, utility, WC
 Master bedroom with en-suite
 Two further bedrooms, bathroom
 Driveway, gardens, viewing essential
 Wem 01939 234368



101 TRENTHAM ROAD, WEM
£149,500
 Extended semi-detached bungalow
 Lounge with feature fireplace
 Separate dining room/bedroom 3
 Refitted kitchen with oven & hob
 Two bedrooms & bathroom
 Driveway, carport & lovely garden
 Viewing highly recommended
 Wem 01939 234368



15 SHRUBBURY GARDENS, WEM
£139,950
 Semi-detached in corner plot
 Lounge, dining room
 Spacious refitted kitchen
 Three good sized bedrooms
 Newly fitted bathroom
 Driveway, gardens
 Viewing recommended, no chain
 Wem 01939 234368



6 PARK AVENUE, MILL ST, WEM
£137,000
 Attractively presented town house
 Lounge, dining room, extended kitchen
 Bathroom, three bedrooms
 Shower room
 Rear garden, garage, parking
 Viewing recommended, no chain
 Wem 01939 234368



36 WINDMILL MEADOW, WEM
£129,950
 Modern terraced house
 Lounge, kitchen/breakfast room
 Two bedrooms, bathroom
 Enclosed rear garden
 Two parking spaces
 Wem 01939 234368



3 LEEK STREET, WEM
£117,500
 Charming town house
 Lounge, kitchen/breakfast room
 Two bedrooms, bathroom
 First floor decked sun terrace
 Ideal for first time buyer
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- Mature 4 bedroom detached house
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13 CANTLOP, CONDOVER

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7 CHAPEL ROAD, HADNALL

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 - Separate dining room. Kitchen
 - 3 bedrooms. Refitted bathroom
 - Driveway providing ample parking
 - Garden with beautiful views
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**2 BLAKEWAY MEWS,
BICTON HEATH**

- Modernised semi detached house
 - Gas CH & DG. Reception Hall
 - Spacious Lounge/ Dining room
 - Newly fitted kitchen
 - Two good sized bedrooms
 - Newly fitted bathroom
 - Driveway & rear garden
- £149,950**
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37 ALBERBURY DRIVE, SUNDORNE GROVE

- Immaculately presented, improved, modern 3 bedroom house
 - Gas central heating and double glazing. Reception Hall
 - Good sized Lounge. Dining Room. Refitted Kitchen with appliances
 - Refitted bathroom with electric shower. Garage & enclosed rear garden
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**KNIGHTON HOUSE,
RUYTON XI TOWNS**

- Individual Detached Cottage
 - Set In The Heart Of The Popular Village
 - Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
 - Lounge with Inglenook Style Fireplace
 - Good Sized Kitchen/Dining Room
 - Two Double Bedrooms & Bathroom
 - Driveway & Enclosed Rear Garden
- £149,000**
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**20 BYNNER STREET, BELLE
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- Much improved mature three bed house
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 - Kitchen/breakfast room.
 - Refitted luxury bathroom.
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 - Rear garden.
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**7 SIMPSON SQUARE,
SHREWSBURY**

- Superb Second Floor Apartment
 - Communal Entrance with security system
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 - Good sized Utility Room
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 - 3 Further Bedrooms. Family Bathroom
 - £399,955
- £399,955**
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**94 UNDERDALE ROAD,
UNDERDALE**

- Impressive double fronted detached home
 - Gas CH & DG. Reception Hall
 - Good sized Lounge with Conservatory off
 - Separate Dining Room. Breakfast Kitchen
 - Fitted Kitchen, Utility & Cloakroom.
 - Rear Porch with Cloakroom.
 - Four Bedrooms. Family Bathroom.
 - Driveway & Delightful Gardens
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**HILLS VIEW, THE GROVE,
MINSTERLEY**

- Modern Detached House
 - Impressive Hall & Galleried Landing
 - Three Receptions & Conservatory
 - Fitted Kitchen, Utility & Cloakroom
 - Master Bedroom with Balcony
 - Two further Double Bedrooms
 - Gardens & views over countryside
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14 BROOK RISE, PONTESBURY

- Well presented detached house
 - Gas CH & DG. Hall & WC
 - Spacious lounge & dining room
 - Kitchen/Breakfast room, utility/study
 - Master Bedroom with en suite
 - 3 further Beds & bathroom
 - Parking and Garage
 - South facing gardens & views
- £250,000**
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**58 WHITE HART,
REABROOK**

- Three Bed Detached Bungalow
 - Spacious Lounge/Dining Room
 - Kitchen/Breakfast Room
 - Spacious Bathroom
 - Garage and Driveway
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CRIGGION LANE, TREBORTH

- Modern Detached House
 - Edge of village close to Welshpool
 - Reception Hall. Sitting room
 - Dining room. Kitchen
 - Three bedrooms, family bathroom
 - Gardens front and rear
 - Ample parking & garage
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33 CALLOW LANE, MINSTERLEY

- Attractively Presented Detached Bungalow
 - Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
 - Reception Hall with Cloakroom
 - Spacious Lounge/Dining Room
 - Attractive recently fitted Kitchen
 - Two good sized Bedrooms
 - Recently refitted Shower Room
 - Garage and Gardens
 - Viewing Highly Recommended
- £165,000**
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**5 HARVEY GARDENS,
MONKMOOR**

- Attractive modern semi detached house
 - Gas CH and DG. Reception Hall. WC
 - Spacious Lounge. Kitchen/Dining Room
 - 3 Bedrooms & Family Bathroom
 - Driveway with parking
 - Enclosed Rear Garden
 - Viewing Recommended
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**28 THE WHEATLANDS,
BASCHURCH**

- Mature semi detached house
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 - Separate Dining Room
 - Refitted Kitchen and Utility Room
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61 CARADOC VIEW, HANWOOD

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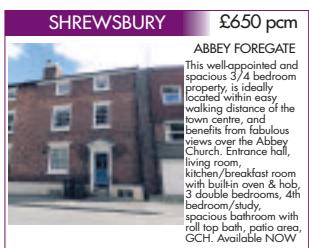
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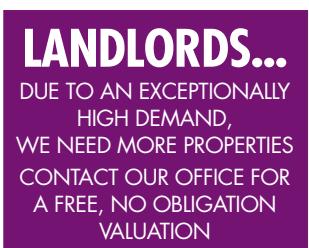
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Welshpool Road, Shrewsbury

A beautifully presented mid terrace cottage of character with attractively landscaped good sized rear garden situated on the west side of town

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£339,000

Porthill Drive, Shrewsbury

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Hall, WC, living room, dining room, family room, kitchen/breakfast room, six bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, attractively landscaped gardens, UPVC DG, GCH.



Coton Crescent, Shrewsbury
£239,950

An Edwardian 4 double bedroom semi detached house of character with south facing private gardens well situated a short walk from Shrewsbury town centre

Hall, living room, open plan kitchen/dining room, utility, shower room, cellar, 2 first floor bedrooms, dressing room/study, bathroom, 2 second floor bedrooms, large gardens, original features, GCH



£139,950

John Street, Castlefields

A carefully renovated, attractive Victorian terraced house of character occupying a pleasant and convenient location within walking distance of the town centre

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£249,950 **Shelton Road, Copthorne**

An attractive and well presented, spacious semi-detached family house, located within this popular area, a short walk from schools, quarry park, and town centre.

Hall, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, side lobby, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, detached garage, driveway, front and rear gardens, DG, GCH



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Hallam Drive, Berwick Grange

A recently modernised 3 storey terrace cottage of character occupying a quiet private courtyard position within this sought after area of the town

Living room, refitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, courtyard garden, utility room/store, uPVC double glazed windows, electric heating.

£169,950 **Tillstock Crescent, Sutton Farm**

An improved semi-detached family house situated in this popular area with good sized gardens and driveways to both front and rear.

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, garage, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



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£209,000

Copthorne Road, Shrewsbury

An improved and extended mature semi-detached house of character located in this popular area close to excellent schools and a short distance from the town centre

Hall, living/dining room, refitted kitchen, utility, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, private parking, detached office (formerly garage), good sized gardens, uPVC DG, GCH



Hinwood Road, Westbury

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£119,950 Twyfords Way, Monkmoor

An exceptionally well presented end of terrace house located in a quiet cul-de-sac.

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, gardens, private parking

new

£137,500 Regents Drive, Shrewsbury

Mature semi-detached bungalow occupying a quiet and private cul-de-sac position in this popular residential area a short distance from the town centre.

Entrance hall, living room, refitted kitchen, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway, front and rear gardens, gas fired central heating


Station Road, Baschurch
£429,000

An impressive substantial and individually designed detached family house occupying a lovely position on the fringe of the village with good sized gardens adjoining open countryside.

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, sitting room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 5 bedrooms, master bedroom with en-suite & dressing room, bathroom, garage, loft room, extensive driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

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£157,000 Roundhill Green, Coton Hill

An extensively and tastefully improved semi detached house, with pleasant outlook, situated on the fringe of town, a short walk from the centre.

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 3 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating.


Copthorne Road, Copthorne
£189,950

An attractive and well presented 3 storey Victorian house of character, located a short walk from the town with south facing garden and views over the Quarry Park and town centre.

Entrance hall, living/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, gas fired central heating, front and rear gardens


Vennington, Westbury
£245,000

Spacious detached country cottage of character situated in this lovely hamlet a short distance from Westbury with private gardens adjoining open countryside.

Dining hall, living room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway and parking area, double glazed windows, oil fired central heating.


£99,995 Copthorne Rise, Shrewsbury

A Victorian mid terraced house of character, with covered courtyard garden, situated within a short walk of Shrewsbury town centre

Comprising: living room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, gas fired central heating, covered courtyard, front garden, and is offered on a chain free basis.

new

£350,000 Vicarage Croft, Baschurch

Pleasantly situated executive 4 bedroom detached family home situated in this sought after village within easy access of local primary and secondary schools.

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, conservatory, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, galleried landing, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, driveway, double garage, good sized gardens.


£115,000 Simpson Square, Shrewsbury

Contemporary and attractively designed second floor apartment, situated within this purpose built development, communal gardens, private parking,

Hall, living room, large fitted kitchen, double bedroom, shower room, private parking, communal gardens, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating


£169,995 Onslow Drive, Mount Pleasant

An extensively improved and well presented semi-detached family house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac

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£210,000 Thornhill Road, The Mount

A well maintained spacious detached house located in this popular area of the town

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, side lobby, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, single garage, front and rear landscaped gardens, uPVC DG, electric heating. NO CHAIN

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£137,500 Roseway, Halescott

An extremely well presented and improved mature end of terrace house situated in a quiet residential area

Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway, carport, good sized garden, mainly double glazed, GCH


£149,950 Berwick Avenue, Shrewsbury

An extremely well presented and improved, spacious, mature semi detached family house, with good sized garden, situated in a quiet residential area, a short distance from the town centre.

Spacious hall, through living room, kitchen, 3 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, private driveway, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating.


£229,950 Station Road, Westbury

A substantial detached Victoria house of character which is in need of general modernisation with large private gardens adjoining open countryside

Hall, inner hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, side hall, utility, WC, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, detached garage/workshop, extensive driveway, DG, oil CH

new

Myton Oak Road, Shrewsbury

An extensively improved and deceptively spacious dormer property of character with is particularly well appointed benefiting from many attractive features.

Porch, hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, sun lounge, 3 double bedrooms, (one with en-suite shower room), bathroom, extensive driveway and parking area, garage, uPVC DG, GCH

£329,950

new price

£149,995 Millbrook Drive, Shawbury

An attractive and well presented modern detached bungalow occupying a lovely position on the fringe of this lovely village

Living/dining room, kitchen, inner hall, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, gas CH



OPENING WEEKEND

SATURDAY 24TH AND SUNDAY 25TH
MARCH 12PM – 4PM

RIVERSIDE MEADOW

(FORMER GAY MEADOW SITE)

Cooper Green are delighted to announce their appointment as sole selling agents, for the stunning new Riverside Meadow development, on the historic former Gay Meadow, previous home of Shrewsbury Town Football Club.

This carefully designed, gated development will be set in beautifully landscaped grounds adjoining the River Severn with fantastic views of the town centre. There will be various one and two bedroom apartments and penthouses available and an impressive range of three and four bedroom town houses with private gardens and balconies, driveways and garages.

Brochures are now available.

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3 Barker Street Shrewsbury SY1 1QF



£315,000

An extremely well presented and much improved spacious detached property with well proportioned accommodation situated in this sought after village a short distance from Shrewsbury

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, detached garage, driveway, good sized front and rear gardens, DG, oil CH

Brookside, Bicton



new
An extremely well presented and tastefully improved semi-detached family house well situated in a quiet and private cul-de-sac. No chain

entrance hall, living room, refitted kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, driveway, large carport, front and rear gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating

Poolsides, Bayston Hill

£159,950



3 ALREADY SOLD
A collection of six unique homes sitting at the foot of the Bredon Hill range overlooking the Shropshire Plain. Only 8 miles from Shrewsbury. Individually designed - exceptionally finished



Belin Mount provides the opportunity to acquire a remarkable home nestled in an unspoiled setting. Each of the six homes have been individually tailored for modern living and each differs in style and interior finish.

The properties benefit from generous landscape gardens with beautiful views over the adjoining countryside. Four, Five and six bedroom houses available. Prices start from £379,995

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£179,950

Brookside Gardens, Yockleton

An improved and spacious detached bungalow situated in a quiet cul-de-sac with private south facing garden a short distance from Shrewsbury

Entrance porch and hall, living/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, extensive driveway, carport, garage, front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, GCH, NO CHAIN



£212,500

Redfield, Herongate, Shrewsbury

new price
A much improved and well presented detached family house well situated at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac with attractively landscaped private garden

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, one with en-suite, bathroom, integral garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

Redfield, Herongate, Shrewsbury



Kenton Drive, off Laundry

An exceptionally well presented detached family house occupying a lovely quiet and private position with attractively landscaped gardens in this popular area of town

Ent hall, cloakroom, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG, driveway, double garage, front and rear gardens

£319,950



£139,950

Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury

An extremely well presented mews house situated in this lovely development a short distance from Shrewsbury with extensive landscaped grounds and views across adjoining countryside

Kitchen/dining room, living room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, private parking, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



£250,000

Brook Rise, Pontesbury

A well maintained spacious detached family house situated at the end of a quiet and private cul-de-sac in a popular village with good sized private gardens adjoining open countryside

Hall, WC, living room, dining room, study, breakfast room, kitchen, utility, 4 bedrooms, (one en-suite), bathroom, driveway, garage, uPVC DG, gas CH.

new
A unique and spacious 3 storey town house with 1200 sqft of accommodation occupying a quiet courtyard setting in this iconic development located in the town centre.

Open plan living room, dining room & kitchen, WC, decked sun terrace, bedroom/landing, bedroom, bathroom, gas CH, SUDG, parking.

potential to provide a further large terrace/atrium subject to planning permission. No Chain



£219,950

Nexus, Roushill



£145,000

Betton Strange Hall, Betton Strange

An extremely well presented and spacious second floor apartment located in this attractive building a short distance from Shrewsbury with lovely communal grounds and views over adjoining open countryside

Spacious hall, living room, dining room, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, electric heating



£260,000

Marlcroft, Wem

An extremely spacious and much improved mature detached family house with large private garden situated in a quiet residential area on the fringe of this north Shropshire market town

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, WC, master bedroom with en-suite, 3 further bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG throughout, driveway, garage, gardens.



£105,000

Shaw Road, Shrewsbury

An extremely well presented and improved modern mid terrace house occupying a quiet and private courtyard setting in a popular area of the town

Entrance porch, living room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, private parking space, front garden, gas fired central heating



new
A deceptively spacious and much improved 3 storey Victorian house of character situated in this popular area of the town a short walk from the centre

Spacious hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, cloakroom, 4 double bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, gas fired central heating

King Street, Cherry Orchard

£234,950



Spring Gardens, Shrewsbury.

Newly built 3 bedroom detached house forming part of a new development a short distance from the town centre

Entrance hall, cloakroom, living room, kitchen/dining room, utility, master bedroom with en-suite, 2 further bedrooms, family bathroom, gas fired central heating, uPVC double glazing.



£210,000



Little Ness, Shrewsbury

£315,000

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3 Barker Street Shrewsbury SY1 1QF

**new**

£164,950

An extremely well presented and extensively improved modern semi-detached house well situated in a quiet cul-de-sac with private gardens adjoining fields

Entrance hall, living room, refitted kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, extensive driveway, front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, GCH

Byfield, Lesley Owen Way**new**

£249,950

An extensively and tastefully improved detached family house with spacious accommodation well situated in this popular area located on the fringe of town

Hall, living room, dining area, kitchen, conservatory/family room, inner hall, store/utility, WC, 4 good sized bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, uPVC DG, driveway, store, front and rear gardens.

Barns Green, Meole Village

£85,000

Greystone Court, Gains Park

An improved mid terrace house ideal for first time buyer occupying a quiet courtyard setting with front and rear gardens.

Living room, dining area, conservatory, kitchen, double bedroom, shower room, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



£155,000

Reabrook Terrace, Hook A Gate

An exceptionally well presented and much improved mid terrace cottage of character with private driveway and large rear garden adjoining Reabrook

Entrance vestibule, living room, inner hall, kitchen, bathroom, 2 bedrooms, gas fired central heating, driveway, large gardens

**South Hermitage, Belle Vue**

An impressive extremely well presented double fronted Victorian semi-detached family house of character located within this sought after area of the town

Hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, rear hall, WC, utility, 4 bedrooms, (one with en-suite), bathroom, double width driveway, attractively landscaped front and rear gardens, GCH. NO CHAIN

£385,000



£190,000

Downfield Road, The Mount

A well maintained and spacious detached house located within this popular area of the town

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, side lobby, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, single garage, attractively landscaped front and rear gardens, uPVC DG, electric heating



£164,950

Preston Street, Shrewsbury

An attractive and extremely well presented mid terrace Grade II Listed Georgian house of character situated in this sought after area of the town

Living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, shower room, private south facing garden, walled sun terrace, gas fired central heating, partial double glazing

new price**Yarlington Orchard, Pontesbury**

A substantial and attractively designed family house recently built to a high specification within this popular village which benefits from a wide range of amenities

Spacious entrance hall, living room, dining room, study, family room, kitchen, utility, WC, galleried landing, 4 bedrooms, (2 with en-suite), bathroom, detached double garage, driveway, DG, GCH. NHBC warranty

£365,000

**Upper Blackfriars, Shrewsbury**

An exceptionally well presented first floor apartment situated within a sought after town centre development adjoining the River Severn

Entrance Hall, inner hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, electric heating, private parking

new

£179,000

Hotspur Street, Greenfields

A well maintained and deceptively spacious 4 storey house situated in this popular quiet and private residential area a short walk from the town centre.

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, lower ground floor study/playroom, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens, double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



£125,000

Wilfred Owen Close, Shrewsbury

A recently built two bedroom ground floor apartment situated in a quiet location on this select development within walking distance of Shrewsbury town centre.

Living/dining room, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, en suite shower room, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazed windows, parking space.

**Arlington Way, Shrewsbury**

A newly built 3 bedroom detached house forming part of a new development on the fringe of the town

Entrance hall, WC, living room, dining room, kitchen, master bedroom with en-suite, 2 further bedrooms, family bathroom, gardens, driveway, garage, , uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating

£199,995

new

£127,995

Meadow Farm Drive, Sundorne

Mature semi-detached family house situated in a quiet and private cul-de-sac

Entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, store/utility, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, separate WC, extensive driveway, front and rear gardens uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



£124,995

Town Centre, Shrewsbury

Beautifully presented modern apartment situated in a prestigious town centre development with contemporary accommodation

Entrance hall, living room, fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, double bedroom, shower room, electric heating.

**Meole Brace, Shrewsbury**

Detached house recently run as a bed and breakfast business situated on the fringe of Shrewsbury. Planning permission for a 3 bedroom detached house in the garden and there is scope subject to planning permission to divide the existing house into two dwellings.

Living room, dining room, Kitchen, utility, 5 bedrooms, bathroom, WC, GCH, uPVC, double garage and garden. Parking for several cars.

new**Longden Road, Shrewsbury**

Individually designed and extremely spacious house of character with well maintained and versatile accommodation, located in a popular part of the town with large private rear gardens overlooking Kingsland Valley

Hall, WC, living room, family room, conservatory, kitchen/dining room, utility, 4 double bedrooms, (two with en-suite), bathroom, GCH, DG, private driveway, extensive gardens.

£350,000



£299,000

Harmer Hill, Shrewsbury

An extremely well presented and tastefully modernised detached dormer property well situated a short distance north of Shrewsbury.

Spacious hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 bedrooms, bath and shower rooms, extensive driveway, private gardens, UPVC DG, GCH

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£325,000

A beautifully presented detached house situated in a desirable residential area close to good schools and neighbourhood shops
Hall, living room, dining room, study area, kitchen, pantry, rear lobby/utility, WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, WC, garage, store, driveway, front and rear gardens, GCH.



£159,950

Ivydene, Cross Houses



Kings Road North, Baschurch

An attractively designed and extensively improved modern detached family house occupying a lovely position within this popular village located a short distance north of Shrewsbury

Hall, WC, living room, conservatory, kitchen/dining room, utility, 4 bedrooms (one with en-suite), bathroom, detached double garage, driveway, front, side and rear gardens, DG, GCH

£289,995



£149,950

An exceptionally well presented and much improved mature spacious semi-detached house situated within this popular village
Entrance hall, living room, kitchen/dining room, conservatory, side lobby, separate WC, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, private driveway, front and rear gardens, uPVC double glazed windows, gas fired central heating



£159,950

new Alma Street, Mountfields



£335,000

Milnthorpe, Washford Park



£199,995

Brockton Meadow, Brockton



£197,500

Lower Cross, Cross Houses



new

**Fairlawn
Gardens, Meole
Village**

An exceptionally well presented and attractively designed spacious detached bungalow with beautifully landscaped gardens, occupying a lovely, quiet and private cul-de-sac position in this sought after area of the town within easy reach of village amenities and frequent bus service to town centre.



£108,500

Hazledine Court, Shrewsbury

An attractive south facing second floor retirement apartment located a short distance from excellent local amenities and Shrewsbury town centre
Entrance hall, living/dining room, kitchen, double bedroom, bathroom, electric heating, double glazing, communal gardens, communal parking



£95,000

Caradoc View, Hanwood

A well presented and extended mature semi-detached family house with large private garden located in this popular area of the town
Entrance porch and hall, living room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, good sized gardens, partial double glazing, gas fired central heating, extensive driveway, detached garage.



£239,995

Pulley Lane, Bayston Hill

An individually designed and exceptionally well presented spacious modern detached family house well situated a short distance from town with views over countryside
Hall, WC, store, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 4 double bedrooms, one with en-suite shower room, bathroom, garage, driveway, gardens, uPVC DG, GCH



£329,950

The Grove, Minsterley

An impressive and extremely spacious individually designed detached house, well situated on the fringe of the village with lovely countryside views to front and rear.
Study, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, 3 bedrooms, 2 with en-suite, master bedroom has balcony en-suite dressing area & bathroom, extensive driveway, gardens, DG, GCH



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Large Circular Driveway

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St Marys Court, St Marys Street
Executive Lower Ground Floor Apartment
Desirable Town Centre Location
Breakfast Kitchen including White Goods
Spacious Sitting Room, Hall, Bathroom
Master Bedroom & En Suite Shower Room
Double Bedroom, Dressing Room
Patio Garden, Secure Gated Parking

£825 pcm



Copthorne Drive, Copthorne
Period Three Bedroom Detached House
Hall, Living Room, Downstairs WC
Dining Room, Kitchen incl White Goods
Bathroom with Separate Shower
Two Double Bedrooms incl One with Wardrobes
Single Bedroom or Home Office, GCH, Driveway
New Carpets, Redecorated, Front & Rear Gardens.

£795 pcm



Netley Barns, Dorrington
Beautiful Two Bedroom Barn Conversion
Entrance Hall, Open Plan Living Room
Kitchen incl White Goods, Double Glazing
Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower over Bath
Double Bedroom, Family Bathroom, GCH
OFFERED FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED

£795 pcm



Lapwood Drive, Herongate
Modern Four Bedroom Detached House
Lobby, Living Room, Dining Room
Breakfast Kitchen with White Goods
Spacious Master Bedroom with En-Suite
2 Double Bedrooms, Single Bedroom
Family Bathroom with Shower
Garden incl Shed, Garage, Driveway

£775 pcm



Burgs Lane, Bayston Hill
Immaculate Two Bedroom Detached Bungalow
Fabulous Views over Open Countryside
Living Room with Open Fire, French Doors to Rear
Two Double Bedrooms with Built-In Wardrobes
Bathroom including Shower, Home Office
Breakfast Kitchen with White Goods, Dining Room
Gated Driveway, GCH, Full Double Glazing.

£695 pcm



Bishop Street, Cherry Orchard
Large Victorian Three Bedroom Mid Terrace
Highly Sort After Residential Area of Cherry Orchard
Entrance Hall, Front Living Room, Dining Room
Kitchen including Cooker
Three Double Bedrooms with Built-in Wardrobes
Bathroom with Shower
Medium Sized Garden, On Street Parking

£675 pcm



Robinson House, Town Centre
Beautiful Two Bedroom Executive Apartment
Town Centre, Unfurnished
Living Room with Views over The Square
Modern Kitchen with Full Range of White Goods
Dining Area, Utility with WC, GCH
Double Bedroom with Built-in Wardrobes
Double Bedroom, Bathroom with Shower

£650 pcm



Bettom Street, Belle Vue
New Build High Specification Terraced House
Kitchen with Tiled Floor and Built In Appliances
Downstairs WC, Understairs Storage, Living Room
Two Double Bedrooms with Wardrobes, Bathroom
Fully Boarded Roof Space with Loft Ladder
Full Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating
York Stone Patio Garden, Driveway Parking.

£650 pcm



Roundhill Green, Coton Hill
Modern Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
Living Room, Fitted Kitchen with Range Cooker
Dining Area, Doors to Rear Patio and Garden
Two Double Bedrooms, Single Bedroom
Bathroom with Shower, GCH,
Driveway Parking
Park and Play Area Close By

£645 pcm



Hordley Avenue, Heath Farm
Redecorated Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
Corner of a Quiet Residential Cul-de-Sac
Entrance Hall, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen
Sun Room, Two Double Bedrooms and One Single
Bathroom incl Shower, GCH, Double Glazing
Generous Rear Garden, Driveway

£600 pcm



The Monklands, Abbey Foregate
Attractive Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
Purpose Built Apartment Block
Popular Residential Area
Community Entrance Hall, Hall with Intercom
Spacious Living room with Dining Area
Kitchen & White Goods, Two Double Bedrooms
Bathroom incl Shower, Allocated Parking

£595 pcm



Peace Cottages, Belle Vue
Refurbished Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House
Living Room with Gas Fire
New Kitchen with Dining Area, Oven & Gas Hob
Understairs Storage, Two Double Bedrooms
Spacious Bathroom incl Shower, Airing Cupboard
New Combi Boiler, New Carpets & Floor Covering
Rear Garden, On Street Parking

£575 pcm



Willowdale Gardens, Herongate
Modern Two Bedroom Mid Terraced House
Two Car Driveway, Entrance Hall, Living Room
Kitchen incl Oven, Gas Hob, Fridge, Washer/Dryer
Conservatory Leading to Rear Garden with Shed
Master Bedroom incl Cupboard, Single Bedroom
Bathroom incl New Shower, Double Glazing
New Carpets, Redecorated Throughout.

£575 pcm



Sutton Bridge, Shrewsbury
New Two Bedroom Second Floor Apartment
Quiet Residential Development Close to Town
Entrance Hall, Storage Cupboard
Spacious Living Room, Two Double Bedrooms
Breakfast Kitchen including White Goods, Dining Area
Bathroom including Shower, Car Parking Space
Bike Store, Clothes Drying Area, Bin Store.

£550 pcm



The Court, St Mary's
Two Bedroom Second Floor Apartment
Fantastic Panoramic Views Towards the Wrekin
Lift Access to 1st Floor, Entrance Hall
Two Bedrooms, Living Room, Dining Room
Recently Fitted Bathroom with Shower
Kitchen including Oven, Hob, Dishwasher
Washing Machine, GCH, Partial Double Glazing.

£550 pcm



Butlers Cottage, Cound Estate
Fully Refurbished Two Bedroom Cottage
Prestigious Country Estate Close to Shrewsbury
Breakfast Kitchen including White Goods
Living Room with Door to Gravelled Courtyard
Oak Floors, Bathroom with Shower
Ample Parking Provided
Short Walk to Pathways through Open Countryside.

£530 pcm



Trafalgar Place, Off Abbey Foregate
Modern Two Bedroom Apartment
Unfurnished
Sitting Room with Dining Area
Kitchen including Cooker & Hob, Washer
Double Bedroom with Wardrobes, Double Bedroom
Bathroom with Shower, Carpets & Curtains
Allocated Parking space

£525 pcm



Gains Avenue, Bicton Heath
Well Maintained Two Bedroom House
Close to Shrewsbury Hospital
Entrance Hall, Kitchen with Electric Cooker
Living Room with Doors to Patio and Rear Garden
Two Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower
Gas Central Heating with Combi Boiler
Decked Area in Garden, Shed, Parking

£500 pcm



Theatre Royal, Town Centre
New One Bed Executive Apartment
Prestigious Town Centre Development
Communal Entrance with Intercom & Lift Access
Double Bedroom with Fitted Wardrobe
Bathroom with Shower, Living Room,
Kitchen with White Goods, Storage Cupboard.
UNFURNISHED OR FURNISHED

£495 pcm



The Monklands, Abbey Foregate
Ground Floor Apartment Close to Town
Unfurnished, Communal Entrance
Living Room, Kitchen Area
Lovely Rear Patio
Double Bedroom with Wardrobe
Bathroom with Shower
Parking Space

£495 pcm



Copthorne Gate, Shrewsbury
One Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
Walking Distance to the Town Centre
Sitting Room with Dining Area
Kitchen with Breakfast Bar & White Goods
Bathroom with Shower
Double Bedroom with Wardrobes
Carpets & Curtains, Parking Space

£475 pcm



Reynolds Wharf, Ironbridge
Exclusive One Bedroom Apartment
Ironbridge Gorge Minutes from the M54
Unfurnished, Living Room
Kitchen with Dining Area incl White Goods
Double Bedroom with Fitted Wardrobes
Bathroom with Shower, Allocated Parking
Carpets and Curtains Included

£475 pcm



Hills Lane, Town Centre
Modern One Bedroom Second Floor Flat
Entrance Hall, Large Living Room
Exposed Beams, Kitchen With Cooker & Gas Hob.
Large Double Bedroom, Bathroom incl Shower
Intercom Door Entry System, Gas Central Heating
Full Double Glazing, New Carpets.

£425 pcm



Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury
Two Bedroom Second Floor Flat
Hall, Sitting Room
Kitchen with Breakfast Bar
Includes Cooker, Fridge & Washing Machine
Two Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower
Fitted Carpets, Communal Garden
On Street Parking

£450 pcm



Upper Blackfriars, Town Centre
Attractive Ground Floor Apartment
One Double Bedroom with Fitted Wardrobes
Views of the River Severn, Quiet Surroundings
Allocated Parking, Town Centre Location
Open Plan Living Room / Kitchen with White Goods
Bathroom including Shower

£450 pcm



Churchill Road, Copthorne
Modern One Bedroom End Terrace House
Spacious Sitting Room with Dining Area
Kitchen Area including Cooker
Bedroom with Wardrobe
En Suite Shower Room, Store Cupboard
Carpets & Curtains. Rear Garden with Shed
Parking Space.

£420 pcm



The Oaks, Bicton Heath
Modern End Terraced Bungalow.
Hall, Open Plan Lounge with Gas Fire
Modern Fitted Kitchen, One Double Bedroom
Bathroom with Shower, Carpets and curtains
Well Maintained Front and Rear Garden
Full Double Glazing, Parking
New Gas Central Heating, New Combi Boiler.

£410 pcm



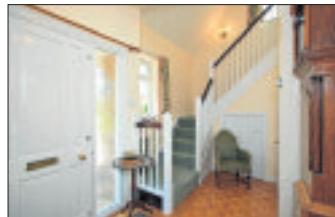
Castle Street, Town Centre
Refurbished Ground Floor Town Centre Flat
Communal Entrance Hall
Open Plan Living Room
Kitchen including Cooker and Fridge
Double Bedroom, Bathroom with Shower
Renovated Throughout. New Carpets
Gas Central Heating. Shared Rear Garden.

£395 pcm



Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury
Refurbished One Bedroom Second Floor Flat
Short Walk to the Town Centre
Open Plan Living Room
Kitchen including Cooker and Fridge
Double Bedroom, Bathroom with Shower
Renovated Throughout. New Carpets
Gas Central Heating. Shared Rear Garden.

£395 pcm



Family home in large gardens surrounded by countryside

The New House, Wroxeter, between Shrewsbury and Telford, is a substantial family home with far-reaching countryside views.

The property, which is on the market through Strutt & Parker with a guide price of £435,000, includes a kitchen/breakfast room, dining room, sitting room, snug, three bedrooms, two bathrooms, double garage, barn, and paddock in a plot of almost an acre.

For further information or to arrange a viewing, contact Strutt & Parker on 01743 284200 or visit the website www.struttsparker.com

**STRUTT
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Georgian apartment looks out over historic town square

On the market through Cooper Green at a reduced price of £184,995 with no upward chain, number 6 Robinson House, Market Street, Shrewsbury, is a charming two-bedroom duplex apartment overlooking the town square and market hall.

Accommodation in the elegant Grade II listed Georgian property comprises a spacious open plan living room and contemporary kitchen/dining room, utility with wc, two bedrooms, en suite washroom, bathroom, gas-fired central heating, and many original features including an extensive range of exposed ceiling timbers.

For further information or to arrange a viewing, contact Cooper Green on 01743 276666 or visit the website www.coopergreen.co.uk

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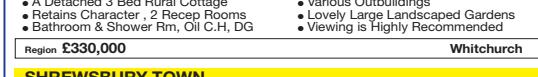
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Belvidere Road
Region £225,000 Shrewsbury



Willington Close
Region £129,950 Shrewsbury



Noble Street
Region £67,500 Shrewsbury



Wem Mill
Region £550 pcm Shrewsbury



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• Extended and Improved Detached House
• Five/Six Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Ensuite
• 0.41 Acre, Open Aspect to rear



Wellington
• Lounge, Dining Room, Ent Hall, 2 Cloaks
• Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, Double Garage
• 0.41 Acre, Open Aspect to rear



LIMEKILN LANE
• Detached Duke of Sutherland Cottage
• Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining room
• Kitchen, Utility, Study / Bedroom 4



Newport
• 3 Further Beds, Bathroom, Shower Rm
• Driveway & Garage, No Upward Chain
• Landscaped Gardens, Outbuildings



BICTON LANE
• Spacious & Improved Detached Bungalow
• No Chain, Hall, Lounge, Gas C.H.
• Log Burner 3 Beds, En-suite, Bathroom
• Landscaped Gardens to the Front & Rear



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• An Immaculate & Spacious Det House
• Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory
• New Kitchen, Utility, 3 Beds, En Suite
• Bathroom, Gardens, Carport, Gas C.H.



NEWPORT PLACE
• Immaculate 3 Storey Town House
• Town Centre Location, Available Now
• Hall, Kitchen/Lounge/Diner, Gas C.H.
• 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Parking Space



NEWTON
• Charming Grade 2 Listed Town House
• Dining Room, Kitchen, Sitting Room
• 2 Bedrooms, Attractive Bathroom Suite
• Small Rear Yard, Gas Central Heating

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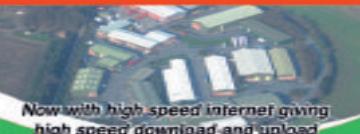
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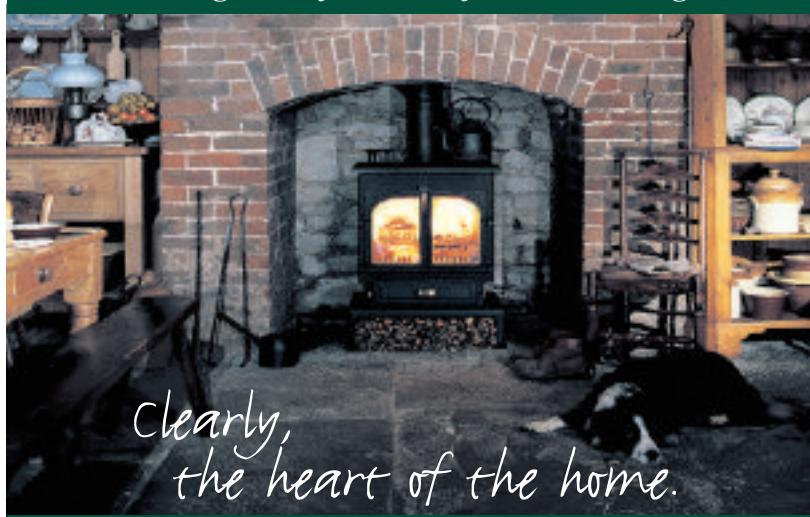


An aerial view of Shrewsbury College of Arts and Technology and London Road Sports Centre, which incorporates the athletics track. To the left of the photograph is London Road.

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House hunters show interest in cash scheme

THE launch of the Government's NewBuy scheme, which will herald the return of 95 per cent mortgages for buyers of new homes, is already attracting enormous interest says Shropshire housebuilder David Wilson Homes.

Around 20,000 potential homebuyers have already pre-registered their interest on the company's website nationally with the weekly registration rate now hitting 1,500.

Interest in the scheme is being driven by the dramatically reduced deposit needed to buy a new home, giving credit-worthy buyers the best opportunity for five years to get onto the housing ladder.

As well as website pre-registration, David Wilson Homes is launching its own helping hand for would-be homebuyers with a helpline - 0844 815 6178 to deal with the increased level of interest.

It is also pledging that its network of mortgage advisors will be available seven days a week so that NewBuy mortgage applicants can get independent advice and a rapid decision. Alastair Parsons, senior sales manager at David Wilson Mercia said:

"This is a significant change for the housing market in Shrewsbury and we are seeing substantial levels of interest."

"I would urge anyone interested to contact us as soon as possible. We will explain how the new system will work and talk our customers through the reduced deposit requirements."

"We have set up a priority service especially for our buyers, using independent mortgage advisors who will

ensure their inquiries receive a rapid response."

David Wilson Mercia is hailing the return of 95 per cent mortgages as a real boost for the local housing market and local economy.

"We believe it will provide

the necessary kickstart to the market which has been

starved of mortgage finance in the past five years," said

Alastair.

"There is an awful lot of

pent-up demand. People

have been renting for three

or four years and many are a

bit fed up that they are pay-

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had bought."

"But the new product is

also available to existing

homeowners who want to

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Alastair added, "The key

thing is that people will no

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He said: "The one thing I've learned over more than 30 years in the property business is that many people find it beneficial to have some help on occasions from a truly impartial property professional they can rely on for unbiased and practical advice."

In launching his new service, he added: "I am often asked by friends and former clients for my opinion, help or advice on a variety of property matters. So, I thought with the current state of the market, there could well be many people out there who could use some truly impartial help and support at a very economic cost."

"So now everyone can benefit from all this experience in a flexible and friendly manner. The aim is to leave you with a better appreciation of how you can really improve the chances of selling your home in this difficult market," Christopher added.

He will provide genuine independent advice from someone with no financial conflict of interest.

Christopher doesn't sell houses locally, but aims to help people buy and sell theirs more easily. He considers, with the vendor, any obvious problems or defects and offers sen-



Giving some home truths - Christopher Morris.

sible solutions and initial comments on presentation - sellers can add to this by using the full property presentation service if they wish.

He can review the general local market and help select the most appropriate agent. The importance of choosing the right estate agent is a primary factor in whether a sale is successful. He can also be able to guide sellers towards alternative strategies to help sell a property, exploring which other methods of marketing may be worth consideration.

"I understand selling your home can be stressful and the importance of dealing with a professional that you can trust and understand you" he said. "I will visit your home and report depending on the level of help you require."

His knowledge has been market-tested through boom and bust housing markets and he has featured on television and radio providing invaluable advice and guidance.

Christopher Morris can be contacted on 01743 843634 or email chris@christophermorris.co.uk

Lettings chief backs call for high standards

A LETTINGS agent has welcomed the findings of a report which highlights the need for the raising of standards across the lettings industry as a whole.

Dawn Clarke, director of Shropshire-based Nock Deighton, and ARLA's regional representative for Shropshire and Staffordshire, has pledged her support for a call by the Property Ombudsman(TPO) to encourage and promote overall standards within the sector, and believes this will help ensure consumers across the region are protected.

Dawn said: "Lettings and management agencies are not currently subject to the same stringent regulations as sales agents, and with almost half of all lettings agents in the UK not registered with the Property Ombudsman, there is a genuine risk of consumers receiving a poor and inadequate service.

"Agents that are fully licensed with professional bodies such as ARLA and have Client Money Protection are bound to a strict code of conduct and really do provide the public with a more professional and customer-focused service, which is why we fully support the TPO's proposed launch of an industry council to promote overall standards."

"It is vital that those either renting or looking to rent a property are aware of the service they should expect to receive, and that landlords using an agent are confident that they are fully trained and committed to abide by certain rules and regulations."

"With the private rented sector due to grow considerably over the next few years, it is even more imperative that lettings agents adopt comprehensible and controlled standards to ensure the protection of landlords and their tenants," she added.



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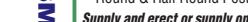
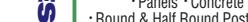


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Owner Parvez Choudhury said: "The restaurant offers a large selection of fish, king prawn and duck meals, which are some of our most popular dishes. We're the only Indian restaurant selling as much fish as this."

The chef prides himself on creating classic renditions of the subcontinent's most exclusive gastronomy, vintage Indian cuisine.

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There's an all-new version of Volkswagen's iconic Beetle on the way with an uncanny similarity to the original.

But if you loved VW's link back to the hippy age with the dash mounted vase and flower you're going to be disappointed. It's gone and its place has gone to a flip up glove box, originally seen in the air-cooled Beetle.

The Beetle, made famous in Disney's Herbie films, is about to hit UK showrooms in three trim levels and two engines with the promise of three more engines to follow.

To begin with, Volkswagen is offering a 104bhp turbocharged 1.2-litre engine coupled to a seven-speed DSG double clutch gearbox

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and a 158bhp 1.4-litre petrol with turbo and supercharging that uses a six-speed manual transmission.

To follow are a 2.0-litre turbo petrol engine with 197bhp – nearly the same engine as in the Golf GTI but with a little less power – and a 104bhp 1.6-litre turbodiesel as seen in the rest of the VW range.

The diesel will come badged as BlueMotion, so expect 65.7mpg and 114g/km emissions.

The three trim levels are Beetle, Design and Sport. The 1.2-litre is offered in Beetle or Design trim from £16,490 and the 1.4-litre in Design or Sport trim from £19,470.

Three other engines – a 1.6-litre TDI BlueMotion Technology 105 PS, 2.0-litre TDI 140 PS and 2.0-litre TSI 200 PS – will be joining the line-up later in 2012 along with the option of a six-speed manual gearbox for the 1.2-litre TSI model.

Specification levels are high. The standard Beetle comes with air conditioning, remote central locking, an RCD 310 CD system with DAB radio and rear Isofix seat preparation.

Moving to the mid-level Design trim adds 17-inch alloy wheels in a choice of two styles, Bluetooth telephone preparation with MDI (multi-device interface) iPod connectivity,

"The option that is expected to make the biggest impact is the Fender sound pack."

front fog lights, an alarm, an RCD 510 DAB CD/radio, multifunction leather-wrapped steering wheel and body-coloured door and dashboard panels.

The range-topping Sport specification brings 18-inch alloys in a choice of two styles, tinted glass, cruise control, sports seats, parking sensors, gloss black door mirrors, dashboard and door panel and 2Zone electronic climate control.

Traction control

The Beetle comes with driver, passenger and side airbags but no curtain airbags are on offer. There are twin three-point belts in the rear seats, while ABS anti-lock brakes and ESP stability and traction control are fitted to all models.

The top spec Sport model of Beetle also comes with parking sensors. Security is taken care of by an alarm, immobiliser and deadlocks.

A wide range of optional equipment will also be available, including keyless access, satellite navigation systems, a panoramic sunroof and bi-xenon headlights.

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The rear seats lack legroom and the sweeping roof makes it tough on the taller passenger but the plus side is a 310 litre boot and unlike the previous Beetle, the rear seats can be folded down to expand load space up to a maximum of 905 litres.

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Luxury cars don't come much bigger than the stretched XJ, which gives its well-heeled owners plenty of room to stretch out in the back and enjoy its climate control, big armchairs and TV and audio toys.



A star on the streets – the Jaguar XJ is a winner in the limousine market

At 5.2 metres, the long wheelbase version is a whole 134mm longer than the standard XJ, making it so roomy that even a former deputy prime minister should be able to manage with only one Jag.

If that isn't enough of a saving, the three litre diesel version provides the effortless performance you'd expect of such a car with fuel economy still on the plus side of 40mpg and a relatively low emissions figure of 184g/km, better than some family hatchbacks.

That's party due to its lightweight, all aluminium construction which also sharpens up

its handling compared to some of its rivals. It also has an aerodynamic, coupe-like profile which to a degree belies its size.

The surprise is, though, that the sweeping roofline doesn't rob you of space in the rear; as you sink into the deep leather armchairs and stretch out your legs.

It was a bold move by Jaguar to switch so drastically from the iconic XJ outline which has become so familiar over the last 40 years. But the bold move proved successful when the car became the number one choice for British business buyers in its first six months on sale.

Many such cars are, no doubt, bought by those who prefer to travel in the back, their laptops busy on the polished walnut tray table in front of them.

But unlike some of the rolling canal boats in this class in the past, the owners will want to be drivers, too. With the diesel engine's whopping 600Nm of torque and a silky smooth six-speed automatic, the long wheelbase XK wafts along motorways in near silence.

Roadholding abilities

But it can also press you back in the seat with 0 to 62mph acceleration in six seconds, swooshing smoothly and comfortable along twisty A-roads thanks to its inherent roadholding abilities and a combination of adaptive electronic dynamics designed to cope with every eventuality. These are fitted not only for safety but to take some of the load from the driver – but with systems such as the rapid 'flappy paddle' gear change the human behind the wheel is still in control, and can enjoy the dynamics of a fine, powerful car.

Whether you're in the back or the driving seat, the XJ is a car capable of carrying its passengers for long distances in ultimate comfort, and getting them to their destination relaxed and ready for business or leisure.

At £69,520 the Portfolio model tested isn't cheap but it is competitive in its class, as it does come exceptionally well equipped with techni-



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BUMPER TO BUMPER

CAR: Jaguar XJ 3.0 diesel Portfolio (long wheelbase)

Powetrain: 3.0 litre diesel engine with 275bhp and 600Nm of torque at 2,000rpm, driving the rear wheels through a six-speed automatic (with manual override) gearbox.

Economy: Combined cycle 40.1mpg. CO₂ emissions 184g/km.

Performance: 0-60mph in six seconds. Top speed 155mph (limited).

Insurance group (1-50): 48

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cal and luxury features as standard. The optional extras were principally an upgrade to the rear seat entertainment pack, including the TV with two individual screens.

All the technical and safety features, and front and rear parking aid cameras, the cruise control and speed limiter and the soft grain leather seats and tinted, solar glass are among the very long list of standard equipment.

The Jaguar also stands up very well to comparisons with its principal German rivals, in terms of both performance and economy as well as comfort and standard equipment.

Prices for the long wheelbase XJ start from £58,520 for the diesel power 'Luxury' specification. There is also a petrol version powered by the 5.0 litre V8 from the XK sports car starting at £70,950 which may well prove to be the preferred choice in some of the West Midlands company's export markets.

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Angela Margaret
nee Comerford

Of Cardington Drive, Shrewsbury. Passed away peacefully at the Severn Hospice, on March 12, 2012, aged 51 years. Beloved Wife of Mark, loving Daughter of Pat and Jean, dear Daughter-in-law of Rita, devoted Mother to Clare and Emma, treasured Nan to Elise. Much loved and sadly missed by Neil, Kevin, Mark, Andrew, Louise and their Partners and Families.

Funeral Service to take place at St Winefride's Church, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury, on Wednesday, March 28, 2012, at 1.30pm, followed by Committal at Shrewsbury Crematorium.

Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, to go to the Severn Hospice.

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CLARKE

Monica Jean
nee Cherry

Formerly of Bicton Heath and latterly Wall Heath, Kinver, passed away after a short illness on March 14, 2012, at Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, aged 74 years. Devoted Wife of John, loving Mum of Steven and Christopher, Mother-in-law of Christine and Judith, treasured Granny of Charlotte, Abby, Anna, Stuart, Duncan and Rosslyn and Sister of Michael.

Monica will be greatly missed by all her loving Family and Friends.

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RICHARDSON

Ivan Kenneth George
(Ike)

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Formerly of Ford and Copthorne.

Beloved Husband of Beryl, dearest Father of Kieran, and a loving Grandfather of Nick, Laura, Bothan, Ross, Charlotte, Alex, Kieran, Georgia and Rio, dear Father-in-law of Martin, Allison and Stan, dear Brother of Irene.

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MORGAN

Iris Lottie

(Gem)

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Formerly of Darwin Gardens, Shrewsbury.

Devoted Wife of the late W. Bryan Morgan, loving and much loved Mother and Mother-in-law of Angie and Richard.

Passed away peacefully and with dignity at The Uplands at Oxon Nursing Home, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury, on March 4, 2012, aged 91 years.

Gem will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

Funeral Service at Shrewsbury Cemetery Chapel, Longden Road on Thursday, March 29, 2012, at 12.30pm, followed by Interment.

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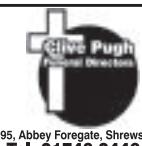
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(Tanker)

Eileen and the Family sincerely thank all Relatives, Friends and Neighbours for their kindness, support and the many cards and messages of sympathy received in her sad loss.

Also for attendance at the Funeral and generous donations, totalling £363, which will support the Severn Hospice in David's memory.

Many thanks also to all Staff on Wards 26 and 28 at The Royal Shrewsbury Hospital. David was full of praise of all their care and attention during his illness.

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A big thank you to all the Staff at the Severn Hospice for their excellent care, treatment and support.

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SPORT**PLACINGS****Sportsjamkits**
Shrewsbury Netball**League****DIVISION 1**

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Recycles 1	17	17	0	2	53	340
Caradoc	17	15	2	4	47	344
Wanderers	17	10	7	3	42	444
Newman A	17	10	7	3	42	444
Scorpions	18	6	12	3	33	501
Lightening	17	7	9	4	501	44
Comets	17	5	12	3	33	471
Thunderbirds	17	7	13	2	33	471
Lions	17	4	13	3	39	494

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Zest	17	17	0	2	53	276
Boss	17	15	2	5	59	296
Allsorts	18	8	9	3	37	296
Whispers	17	9	8	3	37	296
Diesel	17	7	9	3	39	296
Recycles 2	16	8	8	3	34	363
Beckbury	17	6	8	3	32	320
Belvidere	17	6	10	3	32	311
Admire	17	6	10	2	276	390
Drifters	17	4	12	2	276	395

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Sparks	17	14	3	4	31	292
Grays	17	14	3	4	34	297
Strollers	17	12	5	3	34	297
Smokin' Aces	17	10	7	5	36	280
Recycles 3	17	9	8	297	336	
Police	17	5	12	3	309	336
Jokers	17	5	12	3	309	336
Lanyons	17	3	13	271	384	
Dolly Mixtures	17	2	15	23	435	30

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Newtown B	5	5	0	9	88	55
Oddshots	5	4	1	9	86	50
Cophorne	5	3	2	9	57	16
Shawbury	5	2	3	50	55	14
Sirens	5	2	3	50	57	13
Eagles	5	1	3	59	73	12
Sky Blues	5	1	3	54	74	12
Vixens	5	1	3	40	65	10

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Robins	5	5	0	81	57	25
Bachurch	5	5	0	81	57	20
Seven Up	4	3	1	68	39	17
Eclipse	4	2	1	67	40	13
Shrews	5	2	3	68	77	13
Phoenix	5	2	3	55	66	12
NFU Mutual	4	3	3	32	61	6
Stretton A	0	3	3	32	49	5
Sugar & Spice	4	0	4	24	62	3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Shropshire Chess	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost A	12	11	1	16	2	16
Newport A	12	8	4	30	19.5	17
Shropshire A	12	7	5	29	14	14
Shifnal & Telford A	12	6	6	53	52.5	13
Church Stretton A	12	6	6	31	29	13
Priories Lions A	12	4	6	32	37	10
Ludlow A	12	0	10	17	54.25	3
Wellington A	11	1	9	17	38	3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 4A	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost B	12	10	2	24	18	18
Shifnal & Telford B	12	9	13	75.25	23	13
Newport B	12	6	4	21	29	14
Seven Up B	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions B	12	2	10	53	52.5	11
Priories Lions C	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost C	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry A	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington B	11	1	9	17	38	3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 4B	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost D	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford D	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport C	11	6	4	24	21	13
Church Stretton B	11	3	8	24	20	13
Shrews B	11	2	9	32.5	22	12
Oswestry B	12	1	7	19.5	28.5	6
Wellington D	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 3	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost B	12	10	2	24	18	18
Shifnal & Telford B	12	9	13	75.25	23	13
Newport C	11	6	4	24	21	13
Church Stretton B	11	3	8	24	20	13
Shrews B	11	2	9	32.5	22	12
Oswestry B	12	1	7	19.5	28.5	6
Wellington D	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 2	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost B	12	10	2	24	18	18
Shifnal & Telford B	12	9	13	75.25	23	13
Newport C	11	6	4	24	21	13
Church Stretton B	11	3	8	24	20	13
Shrews B	11	2	9	32.5	22	12
Oswestry B	12	1	7	19.5	28.5	6
Wellington D	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost C	12	11	1	16	2	16
Shifnal & Telford C	12	8	4	30	19.5	17
Newport C	12	7	5	29	14	14
Seven Up C	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions C	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost C	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry A	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington C	11	1	9	17	38	3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 2	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost D	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford D	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport D	11	6	4	24	21	13
Seven Up D	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions D	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost D	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry B	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington D	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 3	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost E	12	11	1	16	2	16
Shifnal & Telford E	12	8	4	30	19.5	17
Newport E	12	7	5	29	14	14
Seven Up E	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions E	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost E	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry C	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington E	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 4	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost F	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford F	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport F	11	6	4	24	21	13
Seven Up F	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions F	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost F	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry D	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington F	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 5	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost G	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford G	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport G	11	6	4	24	21	13
Seven Up G	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions G	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost G	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry E	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington G	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 6	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost H	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford H	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport H	11	6	4	24	21	13
Seven Up H	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions H	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost H	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry F	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington H	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Division 7	1	0	1	0	0	0

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telepost I	11	6	0	27.5	16.5	17
Shifnal & Telford I	12	9	1	37.5	22.5	17
Newport I	11	6	4	24	21	13
Seven Up I	12	3	9	30	42	12
Priories Lions I	13	5	8	72.8	53.65	11
Telepost I	13	4	9	83.0	53.45	9
Oswestry G	13	3	8	27	38	8
Wellington I	11	0	9	9.5	45.5	2

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SPORT

SAHA eight-goal rampage sets up Masonic meeting in cup final

SAHA ran riot as they cruised through to the final of the Shrewsbury Sunday League's SHB Management Cup final to set up a clash against Masonic next month, writes STUART DUNN.

Doubles from Chris Tramens and Lewis Goodwin helped SAHA overwhelm Red Barn to the tune of an 8-0 rout.

The other semi-final was a tighter affair, as Masonic saw off Saddlers 3-1 with the goals shared by Nick Higgs, Scott Wells and Mike Fox. The final will be at the Shrewsbury Sports Village on Sunday April 22.

Harlescott Social Club also have a cup final to look forward to, in their case in the Consolation Cup after just about scraping past Peacock 5-4 after extra time, in a real cracker of a game.

In a tie brought forward a week, goals from Sam Jones, Andrew Williams, Andy Simpson, Shane Owen and an extra time winner from

FOOTBALL by Stuart Dunn

Nappy Brown proved decisive.

Harlescott will take on either Upton Magna or Norbury, who go head-to-head this weekend, in the final.

There was also action in the Jason Bramall Cup last Sunday with Unison beating St Lucie 2-1 in a delayed quarter-final, thanks to strikes from Ian Roberts and Adam Walder. Unison will face the winners of Sunday's meeting between Three Fishes and Santos next.

Away from the drama of the cup, there were plenty of games played in the Greenhous

Shrewsbury & District Sunday Football League.

Champions Instones United did not have it all their own way in preserving their unbeaten record in the premier division as they were forced to dig deep to beat Meole Brace 4-3.

Doubles from Darren Jarman and Sean Butler steered the Grocers to three more points as Carl Williams, Dominic Sadd and Steve O'Reilly replied for Meole.

Compasses crashed at home to Wem Sunday, going down 4-1, with Mattie Owen and Dave Walbyoff both netting twice for the north Shropshire side.

Despite a Matt Boswell goal, Pontesbury were frustrated to drop points from a 1-1 draw against Church Stretton, for whom Chris Hook struck. Pontesbury will now be looking over their shoulder at Cruckton who could pip them in the race for a runners-up spot.

Condover Foxes breathed fresh life into their bid to escape the drop in division one as goals from Russ Adams and Kev Jones steered them to a 2-0 win over Upton Magna, the side directly above them in the bottom three.

Fading Coton Rovers lost 4-3 to Bomere Heath at Sundorne despite leading three times. A double from the diminutive Andy Boyleing helped win it for the villagers.

Crown Coleham, the bottom side, claimed three very useful points by getting the better of high flying Norbury 3-0.

Kris Phillips netted twice and Laurie Bridle was also on the mark, not that he knew too much about it as the ball hit him on the back of the head and went in.

There was an entertaining game in the second division as Telegraph beat arch rivals Swan 4-3 in a game where the lead changed hands several times. Andy Simms, John Marsh and a

Darren McCue brace sealed an exciting win for Telegraph while Swan went away feeling they deserved at least a draw.

Title hopefuls Belvidere Sports were free-scoring once again as they beat Loppington 6-2 at Monkmoor, the highlight a brace from Ryan Goodall.

Grove Hotel struggled for a team for their clash against Brockton Rovers and, after going 4-0 down, they lost three players through injury so the game was abandoned.

"The League committee will discuss the matter at the next committee meeting," said Sunday League secretary Dave Sandler.

There were no games in division three, but in the fourth division leaders Sundorne swept aside the Prince of Wales 4-2 with goals from Liam Andrews, Ant Higgins and Alex Davies (2). Andrew Walker got both for the Prince of Wales.

Wheeler's youngsters have a day at the races

THREE of Mid Shropshire Wheeler's promising young cyclists took part in the first round of the Dolan series of youth races in Southport.

Kieran Morris, Beth Coupland and James Ellmore travelled north to compete in the first of the three-week rounds.

Kieran was first to race. Managing to get in the main breakaway which stayed early until the end, he finished 11th.

Meanwhile Beth and James were drawn together in the first of two under-16 races.

The standard was high with the north west girls team being selected from this race. Beth looked strong early on, only to be taken out by another rider.

James managed an attack at one point off the front but was brought back, finally finishing seventh.

Starters

James' handicap race went well with him looking strong and finishing well in 12th, since the early starters were given a very large head start.

Elsewhere, Oswestry Paragon CC hosted the second round of the Friction and Hydraulic Services Series 2012 with their 17-mile Time Trial last Saturday.

Three Mids riders took part with Simon Evans posting the fastest time from the club with 55:03, knocking one minute and 13 seconds off his previous best time.

Close on his heels was Jenny York in a time of 55:06 and taking first place in the ladies event, nearly four minutes ahead of the second place lady.

Dave York was the third Mid to enjoy a good ride as he stopped the clock in 56:09.

The Wheelers held a full day's racing at the Sundorne Sports Village on Saturday starting at 10am.

The programme is: Under 8 to 10 year olds 5km at 10am, Under 12 10.30am, Youth B 11am, Youth A 11.30am, Senior E123 12.15pm, Women and 4th cat men 1.15pm, Senior Men 3rd cat 2pm.

Pre-entry via British Cycling or entries on the day.

PLACINGS

Shrewsbury Bell League FINAL TABLE

	P	W	L	Av	Pts
Bredien.....	14	13	11	1171.51	26
Telepost.....	14	11	3170.29	22	
Unison.....	14	9	5167.97	18	
The Plough.....	14	7	7164.80	14	
Shrewsbury SC.....	14	6	7163.25	13	
Severnside ABC.....	14	6	7163.00	8	
Tankerville.....	14	4	10162.22	8	
Marchley.....	14	1	12156.50	3	

Ring master Hough back as Severnside box clever

BOXING history has repeated itself with Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC returning to Ditherington for weekly classes for the first time in 30 years.

Trainer Colin Hough previously enjoyed tremendous success in the Shrewsbury district with a wealth of boxing talent emerging from the area to serve the established county town club well.

Now Hough has agreed to return to Ditherington and he held his first session there for three decades last in the presence of Tony Durnell, the mayor of Shrewsbury.

Boxing classes will be held at the Ditherington Community Centre each Monday night between 6.45-8.45pm.

They will complement the sessions Hough already runs at the Elms, in the shadow of the Shirehall, on Wednesdays at 6.30pm and Sundays from 5.15pm.

Hough said: "I have been asked for ages to come back to Ditherington. I was there 30 years ago and we enjoyed tremendous success."

Reunion

"We had lads like Paul Dowler, who went on to box for England, plus Roddy Doran and Neil Marston who both later turned professional and the three Rogers boys, who were all talented lads."

"We are hoping for a good response and all we can do is provide the facility and see what happens."

Hough would be delighted to welcome new recruits and they can either turn up on a Monday night or contact him on 01743 366 286 for more details.

Meanwhile, two Severnside boxers were recently in action at shows – and both ended up on the wrong side of points verdicts.

Connor Lewis, 13, faded after a bright start as he was edged out on a very tight majority decision by Yasri Ahmed, of Stoke's Meir ABC, at Abbey Hulton.

He will be an end of camp barbecue on Saturday, April 14.

BOXING
by Stuart Dunn

Hough said: "Connor won the first two rounds but then fell away, which I wasn't very happy about."

Elsewhere, Severnside's Jack Roberts, of Nobold, took on Wellington Academy's Aroon Fiaz at Ludlow Racecourse, with the West Midland light middleweight belt up for grabs.

Roberts gave a good account of himself against a highly rated opponent, but Hough had no complaints at the decision going against the local lad.

He said: "They had met once before and it was a very close contest."

"They had done their homework on Jack and he had difficulty getting to Fiaz, who stayed on the back-foot.

Considering Fiaz has won all nine of his contests this season and recently beat a national champion, Jack did well and there was nothing to be ashamed of."

Hough is out again on Friday with Severnside's Lewis Milner, from Harlescott, competing in Kington.

Oar-some day out for Shrewsbury girls



The Shrewsbury School girls crew and two crews from Pengwern after the Women's Head of the River Race

WOMEN'S rowing is going from strength to strength in Shrewsbury.

This year three crews from the town competed in the annual Women's Head of the River Race held on the famous Boat Race course in London with no fewer than 290 other crews taking part.

This was the first trip south for both the Shrewsbury School girls' crew and Pengwern Boat Club's

novice crew, who started next to each other as new entries.

It was also the first time in recent history that three teams from the same stretch of water had attended the Women's Head, marking a significant rise in female rowers in the region.

"The day itself began with persistent drizzle, but thankfully it cleared for the race itself," said Clare Wilson, head of girls' rowing

at Shrewsbury School.

"The results suggest promise of more to come from this provincial stretch of water."

Pengwern's senior women finished 133rd with a time of 22:58.94, Shrewsbury School posted a time of 24:22.49, with the Pengwern novice crew crossing the line in 26:41.89.

All three crews returned to the River Severn to continue with their racing season.

Shrewsbury ABC fighters get busy with wins

SHREWSBURY ABC youngsters have pulled off some fine victories over a hectic few weeks, writes STUART DUNN.

Cameron Robb, the nephew of the club's head coach Davey Robb, was all smiles after ending a run of six straight defeats.

Robb turned the corner by beating R Gilbert from Stoke and Trent's Five Towns ABC at 42kg, a timely confidence boost after being on the wrong side of some dubious and close decisions.

He gave the Stoke lad a boxing lesson in the Potteries, winning all three rounds convincingly, with Gilbert taking a standing count in the second and third rounds.

Shrewsbury's James Martin beat Ludlow fighter J Tunnicliffe at 69kg at a show in the South Shropshire town.

Both boxers were having their second bouts and this was a very close contest, with both lads giving their all in front of an appreciative crowd, with Martin taking the verdict on a majority decision.

Coch Robb said: "James has now had two wins from two contests. He's still very raw and we feel he needs a little bit more work in the gym before he competes again."

"But he has lots of courage and dedication which will, hopefully, help him to achieve his goals and become a great boxer for us."

Shrewsbury ABC were represented as the junior ABAs, the national championships for all boxers born between 1994 and 1996, got under way with the opening preliminary rounds held at Donnington Working Men's club in Telford.

Luke Merryfield,

formerly with Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC, was the only entry at 57-60kg in class four, so became West Midlands champion without competing.

Coach Robb said: "He gave a very confident and assured performance to win by a unanimous decision."

"He will now go on to the next round and, hopefully, will win his first Midlands title having lost a very close decision last year by 21-20 on points."

boxers we will meet.

"Hopefully, he's on the way to his first Midlands title since joining us from Shrewsbury & Severnside ABC."

Dillon Robb, another of the coach's nephews, competed at 57-60kg in class five. He has really started to come of age and has become a very good boxer."

Talented

Robb was drawn against H Khan from Smethwick's Windmill ABC and Dillon boxed very well in all three rounds to be crowned West Midlands champion.

Coach Robb said: "He gave a very confident and assured performance to win by a unanimous decision."

"He will now go on to the next round and, hopefully, will win his first Midlands title having lost a very close decision last year by 21-20 on points."

Lenny Evans, the club's 54-57kg in class five, reached the national semi-finals last year, so Shrewsbury ABC are hoping he can go one better this year and make it through to the final.

Evans overcame the talented Brandon Jones, of Lions ABC at Donnington.

He is the brother of England international Connor Jones, who Evans recently beat, and Brandon was determined to try and gain revenge for the family.

Coach Robb said: "From the first bell to the last, he just walked forward attempting to try and KO Evans."

"But all this did was give Lenny the job of boxing on the back foot and winning by a unanimous decision."

"But, due to three boxers entering at this stage, Lenny has only done half of the job and will now move on to face Wednesbury ABC's Jake Doody."



Shrewsbury ABC coach

Davey Robb with new champion Luke Merryfield

SPORT

Mark Jenks - happy to get through to the semis

Shifnal see double as Shawbury twins score

IDENTICAL twins Liam and Colom Dumthry were both on target as Shawbury United maintained their push for a top 10 finish in the West Midland League premier division with a 3-2 win at county rivals Shifnal Town.

Now Dave Richards wants his happy travellers to shine again when they aim to complete an impressive double at home to high flying Wolverhampton Casuals on Saturday (3pm).

"We had a very good 2-0 win at Casuals," said Richards. "They're a good side but if we go about it how we did that day then we'll stand a good chance."

Richards was delighted with his team's display at Phoenix Park and the only slight disappointment was Shawbury did not emerge more convincing winners.

He said: "We really should have won more comfortably. We absolutely dominated in the second half playing down the slope. Their keeper made two great saves and Dave Walkhoff hit the bar."

All the goals came in an exciting first half. Shawbury drew first blood when Liam Dumthry, having already had a goal chalked off, rose highest to power in a header from a Mattie Owen cross.

Chris Henry quickly levelled, although Richards felt the striker was offside, but Shawbury then moved 3-1 in front.

Glyn Evans converted a penalty he won himself and was then involved in a flowing move which was stylishly finished off by Colom Dumthry.

Bobby Spooner turned the ball into his own net for Shifnal's second goal just before half time, but Shawbury were never in any danger of relinquishing their hold in the game.

PLACINGS**West Midlands League****Premier Division**

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Black Country Rng	36	27	4	7	78	86
General Athletic	32	24	6	2	74	78
AFC Wombles	33	21	4	8	24	67
WTon Gales	32	19	7	5	52	60
Wednesday	32	17	9	22	57	54
Bewley Trn	28	17	3	8	23	54
Drayton Trn	33	15	5	10	6	41
Cradley Trn	31	15	6	12	17	49
Walsall	32	13	13	2	2	46
Wolverhampton Utd	32	13	13	2	2	46
Dudley Sports	34	13	7	17	-26	43
Shifnal Trn	32	12	16	4	5	41
Shifnal Trn	33	11	9	14	-5	41
Sporting Khalasa	30	12	16	12	-38	32
Lye Trn	32	9	10	13	-14	37
Makem Trn	31	8	10	13	-17	37
Pegion Jns	32	11	4	17	-18	37
Stafford Trn	31	9	8	14	-16	35
WTon Sporting	28	8	2	19	-38	20
Bustleholme	31	6	2	24	-63	13
Bromyard Trn	30	3	2	25	-82	11
Deritton Trn	30	3	2	25	-82	11

DIVISION 1

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AFC Wombles	26	15	6	25	51	51
Stone Al Aleyians	24	13	7	4	32	46
Hanwood Trn	22	13	3	22	46	43
AFC Smethwick	22	13	4	15	16	43
Walsall	22	13	4	15	16	43
Bridgnorth Trn Res	23	9	5	9	2	34
Wyrley	23	10	2	11	-14	33
Trysull	22	9	4	9	7	31
Binton Trn 2007	23	9	3	11	-20	30
Shenstone Pinters	21	8	4	11	-10	26
Leominster Trn	21	8	4	11	-10	25
Wem Trn	24	6	7	11	-15	25
Pennycroft	25	6	6	13	-25	24
Hanwood Trn	23	6	5	14	-34	15
WTon Utd	22	4	1	20	-67	4

PLACINGS**West Midlands League****Division 2**

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Hanwood Trn	21	17	4	0	57	55
Hindhead Lads Club	21	14	3	34	42	53
St Martins	23	13	3	34	43	53
Wrens Nest	23	11	1	11	5	34
Penridge Trn	20	10	4	6	34	34
Mahal	16	10	3	3	19	33
Tenbury Utd	22	9	4	9	3	31
Skihunters	20	8	4	8	7	28
Ettlingshall Pk Farm	20	7	4	9	5	25
Riverton	20	7	4	9	5	25
Walsall Utd	20	7	3	10	2	23
Red Star Alma	22	5	2	25	-17	15
WTon Sporting Re	23	4	2	17	-59	14
Malvern Trn Res	22	2	1	19	-59	7

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SPORT

Shrewsbury's James Hayward wrong foots the Loughborough defence in their under-17s national cup win

Brave bid but plate dream is shattered

SHREWSBURY'S under-15s produced a brave performance in going down 34-7 at Ledbury in the semi-finals of the North Midlands Plate.

The two sides were well matched in almost every department but a well drilled Ledbury XV never let Shrewsbury get into their stride and moves that on other days might have yielded positive results just did not quite come off.

Added to this, the home side were blessed with a particularly impressive fly half and inside centre combination that caused most of the problems for Shrewsbury.

While Ledbury dominated early possession, Shrewsbury's pack was more than a match for them and with both sides quick to get up on the

backs, possession was exchanged rapidly.

Ledbury struck first but Shrewsbury pressed forward in reply. The pack asserted itself, with flankers Regan Jordain and Rufus Litchfield and locks Finley Hughes and Richard Heath working effectively together.

For a while they were camped on the Ledbury five-metre line and a score looked to be the cards. Inside centre Olly Greenhouse was almost through twice and winger James Plout was stopped just short.

It was tough on the away side when Ledbury stretched their lead to 12-0 just before the break.

Shrewsbury badly needed an early score in the second period and it

almost came when the ball reached Sam Kinrade at outside centre. He broke several tackles and when he was finally brought down, looked to offload to Greenhouse, who was up in support. But it did not quite work and the ball was knocked on. That just about summed up Shrewsbury's day.

Punished

A score then would have put them right back in it but instead Ledbury punished them with another break to score a converted try in the corner.

Shrewsbury grabbed the try their efforts merited when fly half Ben Smith put a penalty into the corner and from the lineout, hooker Charlie Adam fed loose head prop Alfie

Meredith who, supported by his front row partner Tom Cookson, drove through the Ledbury line to set up the attack.

Scrum half Roan Kirkby did well to get the ball out quickly and, after a swift passing move that involved No 8 Sam Hill, Jordan and Smith, the ball was once again fed to Kinrade and this time he made it across the line with full back Tom Williams converting.

Ledbury then stood firm and, with Shrewsbury committed to attack, broke out again to score two further tries.

The final margin of victory flattened the Herefordshire side although they were the better side on the day.

PLACINGS

Shrewsbury & District Snooker League

DIVISION 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Mele Brace A.....	19	16	3	72	23	76
Harlescott A.....	19	17	2	70	26	72
Condover A.....	18	11	7	37	53	57
Reman Services B.....	18	10	8	51	39	52
Mele Brace C.....	18	10	8	45	45	45
Union D.....	19	7	12	43	52	44
Old Shrews B.....	17	9	8	43	42	43
Mele Brace A.....	18	6	13	41	54	46
Reman Services C.....	18	4	14	28	62	28
Preston Brock B.....	20	3	17	72	72	24
Highest break: John Banks 80. Most wins: John Banks 16.						

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Mele Brace C.....	19	17	2	68	27	68
Bagley D.....	18	15	4	58	37	57
Reman Services H.....	18	15	4	58	37	57
Harlescott B.....	19	10	9	49	46	46
Mele Brace G.....	19	8	11	46	49	46
Beeches A.....	19	7	12	43	52	43
Old Shrews A.....	19	7	12	43	56	37
Bagley A.....	19	7	12	39	56	37
Bagley B.....	18	7	11	32	57	37
Mele Brace E.....	19	5	14	35	60	34
Highest break: Adrian Jennings 15. Most wins: John Barton 16.						

DIVISION 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Unison E.....	18	14	4	64	26	66
Reman Services E.....	18	14	4	61	29	61
Mele Brace J.....	18	12	6	51	39	51
Severnside A.....	18	11	7	40	50	45
Wem Cons A.....	18	11	7	49	41	48
Mele Brace D.....	18	9	9	48	42	48
Wem Cons B.....	18	9	9	48	42	48
Unison A.....	18	9	9	43	47	43
Unison C.....	17	6	11	30	45	42
Preston Brock E.....	17	7	10	30	33	38
Beeches C.....	18	2	16	24	68	24
Highest break: Alan Thomas 33. Most wins: John Barton 16.						

DIVISION 4

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Unison E.....	18	14	4	64	26	66
Reman Services E.....	18	14	4	61	29	61
Mele Brace J.....	18	12	6	51	39	51
Severnside A.....	18	11	7	40	50	45
Wem Cons A.....	18	11	7	49	41	48
Mele Brace D.....	18	9	9	48	42	48
Wem Cons B.....	18	9	9	48	42	48
Unison A.....	18	9	9	43	47	43
Unison C.....	17	6	11	30	45	42
Preston Brock E.....	17	7	10	30	33	38
Beeches C.....	18	2	16	24	68	24
Highest break: Alan Thomas 33. Most wins: Adam Craig 16.						

Ron's Hairdressing Shrewsbury Dominoes

League

DIVISION 1

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
FCC.....	28	13	6	120	104	23
Crown.....	28	14	8	102	104	23
X Boxes F.....	28	8	11	93	97	23
Telepost.....	28	12	12	104	104	23
Beeches A.....	28	11	13	103	104	23
Old Abbey.....	28	13	12	115	109	23
Telegraph.....	27	12	10	104	104	23
Union.....	28	8	11	107	107	23
Companions A.....	28	13	11	109	105	23
Monkmoor.....	27	12	6	114	102	23
R Hots A.....	28	13	12	92	92	23
Old Hots B.....	28	13	12	105	109	23
Prince A.....	28	10	11	108	101	21
Hots B.....	28	13	10	117	107	21
Red Lion.....	28	11	11	107	107	21
Wem Cons B.....	28	10	10	109	107	21
Rock A.....	27	9	9	103	107	21
Woodman.....	28	10	11	103	121	21
X Boxes E.....	28	9	11	103	119	21
Horseholes.....	28	8	11	112	112	21
Rock B.....	28	9	11	122	112	21
Boars Head.....	28	9	12	105	125	21
Compasses B.....	27	6	12	95	121	21
Brooklands.....	28	9	14	109	125	21
Red Barn.....	28	11	13	103	119	21
Romp Cat.....	27	9	11	109	112	21
HSC.....	28	10	12	104	124	21
Heath.....	28	10	12	99	126	21
Bull It Barn A.....	27	3	14	89	127	16
Woodman.....	27	5	20	134	124	16
Highest break: Austin Morris 4. Most wins: John Barton 17.						

DIVISION 2

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Myton.....	28	13	5	127	97	33
Ad Dun.....	28	15	7	121	103	32
Royal Oak.....	28	11	6	125	99	32
Heights.....	27	12	6	128	95	32
Beeches A.....	28	11	6	128	100	32
Cressage.....	28	11	9	111	113	30
Compasses.....	27	11	9	109	107	30
Red Barn.....	28	11	10	109	109	30
Red Cat.....	28	11	10	109	109	30
Comet Cars.....	28	6	10	103	109	29
Bird.....	26	7	11	94	114	27
Horseholes.....	28	6	10	103	109	27
Plough.....	27	3	13	97	119	21
Red Castle.....	28	6	12	88	120	20
Highest break: Austin Morris 4. Most wins: John Barton 17.						

DIVISION 3

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Telegraph.....	27	14	1	127	97	33
Concrite.....	25	13	6	116	104	32
Bull in the Barn.....	25	13	6	116	94	32
Cock.....	26	12	6	111	97	32
Masonic.....	25	13	7	113	97	31
Compasses.....	26	13	8	113	95	31
Dog & Pheas C.....	26	13	8	113	95	31
Beeches.....	26	12	11	106	101	27
Coach.....	25	10	10	104	96	27
Bull Head.....	25	10	10	104	96	27
Top House.....	26	8	11	101	99	23
Kings Head.....	26	8	10	109	109	23
Bricklayers.....	25	7	11	91	109	23
Dog & Pheas B.....	26	5	15	88	122	16
Beeches.....	26	5	15	88	122	16
Andrea Head.....	26	4	17	78	130	13
Inn On Green.....	26	4	17	78	130	13
Highest break: Austin Morris 4. Most wins: John Barton 17.						

PLACINGS

English Clubs Championship

MIDLANDS 2 WEST (NORTH)

	P	W	L	D	B	Pts
Stoke on Trent.....	17	0	15	83		
Old Salties.....	18	15	0	3	6	66
Wem Cons.....	18	15	0	3	6	66
Monkmoor.....	18	10	1	7	8	50
Leek.....	18	10	8	7	4	48
Stafford.....	18	9	1	8	6	44
Tamworth.....	18	8	2	8	4	38
Aston Old Edward.....	17	7	0	1		

SPORT

A night to remember for Town boss at the Greenhous

GRAHAM TURNER had one of those nights all managers must dream about as Cheltenham became the latest team to suffer at fortress Greenhous Meadow.

In the wake of last weekend's disappointing defeat at Plymouth, Turner decided the time was right to implement a few changes – and they worked probably better than he could ever have hoped.

Recalled duo Nicky Wroe, who fired Town ahead inside a minute, and Terry Gornell grabbed the decisive goals to seal fellow high fliers Cheltenham while Shane Cansdell-Sherriff, the third of the men to be drafted in, shone at the back as Town registered a clean sheet.

A knock on effect of the changes saw Jermaine Grandison and the irrepress-

Shrewsbury Town 2 Cheltenham 0 by Stuart Dunn at the Greenhous Meadow

ible Matt Richards revert to the full-back roles and they both had fine games.

Cheltenham enjoyed plenty of possession without really threatening as Town, with goalkeeper Chris Neal in confident mood, showed a greater cutting edge going forward.

They picked up three more vital points to return to the automatic promotion places and, in the process, they successfully stretched their unbeaten home record to a staggering 27 games, a new outright club record.

Turner said: "It was a great result, particularly after the result and perform-

ance at Plymouth on Saturday, for us to bounce back with a result and performance like that."

"We got off to a great start. We spoke before how just recently our starts haven't been that clever, but we were right out of the blocks and got a goal in that period."

"I thought, generally, although Cheltenham had a bit of the ball at different times, we protected the goalkeeper."

"I don't think he's had too many saves to make. We always looked dangerous on the break so, all in all, it was a good night's work."

Wroe, the all action Yorkshireman, might have had a hat-trick in the first half after choosing to adopt a shoot-on-sight policy.

As it was, though, Wroe had to settle for just one goal after firing Town in front after just 44 seconds.

James Collins, played in by Richards down the left, pulled the ball back and Wroe drove first time past wrong-footed goalkeeper Jack Butland.

The England under-21 international, on loan from Birmingham, had no chance with that goal, but should have done better when Town doubled their lead 12

minutes into the second-half.

Jon Taylor, who produced his best display of the season, delivered a low cross from the right which Butland fumbled and Gornell turned in the rebound for his seventh goal of the season.

Now the test for Town is to start hitting the same heights on their travels, beginning at Morecambe on Saturday.

TOWN: Neal; Grandison, Sharps, Cansdell-Sherriff; Richards; Taylor, Wroe, D. McAllister, Wright; Gornell (Morgan 86). Collins. Unused subs: Jackson, Sawyers, Smith.

Referee: Andy Woolmer (Northamptonshire). Attendance: 5,704 (404 from Cheltenham).

CHRONICLE STAR MEN: 1 Wroe, 2 Richards, 3 Grandison.



Town's David McAllister on the ball with Steve Elliott closing in for a tackle

Turner's praise as Nick does the trick

THE impressive contribution of midfielder Nicky Wroe was singled out for praise by boss Graham Turner after his early goal set up Town's midweek win over Cheltenham.

Wroe was quick to make his mark on being recalled to the side, with Turner delighted he made the most of his chance to impress.

"Nicky came in with a lot of energy and that's what you hope for," said Turner.

"Sometimes you need to freshen the side up when players have had a rest and you bring them in at this stage of the season where there's a lot of games."

"Nicky had an outstanding game and I thought he was unlucky not to get a hat-trick."

Turner was also pleased how goalkeeper Chris Neal responded against the Robins after the blow of being at fault for the goal which sunk Town at Plymouth last weekend.

Strength

Turner added: "He dropped a right clanger at Swindon recently which allowed them back into the game and his response in subsequent games was very good."

"I had no doubts he would have the mental strength to get over Saturday's mistake and deal with things and he's done that."

Turner also had plenty of positive things to say about the influential Matt Richards who slotted in effortlessly at left back in place of Joe Jacobson.

Richards has emerged as a key man in midfield for Town this season but had no problems dropping into the back four in a position where he has played lots of games in the Championship for Ipswich and Brighton as well as representing England at under-21 level.

Fit again Shane glad to join Town's big promotion push

SHANE CANSDELL-SHERIFF INSISTS HE'S DETERMINED TO PLAY A LEADING ROLE IN SHREWSBURY TOWN'S PROMOTION PUSH AFTER EARNING A RECALL FROM BOSS GRAHAM TURNER.

The consistent Australian had been one of Shrewsbury's best performers this season until suffering a shoulder injury in a clash with Southend striker Liam Dickinson in January.

But, having come through two reserve team matches unscathed, the 29-year-old central defender was delighted to be reinstated to the heart of the back four for Tuesday's impressive 2-0 home win over Cheltenham.

Now he has vowed to do all he can to help Town successfully cross the finishing line this season in a top three spot.

It's an important couple of months ahead for the Sydney-born player as he's one of a host of players whose current deals expire in the summer.

He's currently Town's longest serving player and makes no secret of the fact he would love to extend his four-season stint in Shropshire.

His main priority, though, has been trying to force his way back into the side, no easy task, he accepted, given how Jermaine Grandison had switched impressively from right back to join skipper Ian Sharps at the heart of the Town back four.

"The boys have done well and looked solid at the back," said Cansdell-Sherriff. "Sometimes it's a part of football that you just have to be patient and wait your turn again."

"I've just had to support the boys and I'm part of the team and I've just encouraged them and kept them on their toes."

"That's part and parcel of it as well, keep pushing them and making sure they're been working hard."

"At least I'm back now and fit enough to really prove myself."

"Things can change any time in football. For example when I got knocked out, Jermaine wasn't expecting to play centre half from that day for a while."

TOWN TALK
by Stuart Dunn

Cansdell-Sherriff, who arrived from Tranmere Rovers in July 2008, is just happy to be playing again, although he admits the manner in which he lost his place in the side was frustrating.

He said: "It was a little frustrating because I couldn't help what happened. But it's one of those things that happen in football and you've just got to take it in the best way possible and try and get yourself back as soon as possible."

"I've had a few niggles along the way and lost a bit of match fitness as we didn't have any reserve matches scheduled."

"But I've played in two of them now, against Crewe and Birmingham, and I feel miles better in the second one – and then I got the chance to play against Cheltenham on Tuesday."

"I'm feeling good and back to where I was before I got injured."

Given his long service, Cansdell-Sherriff if well placed to comment on Town's promotion credentials and has no doubts in saying this is the strongest Shrewsbury squad he's been involved in.

That's quite a compliment given the first squad he was part of included current higher division performers

like Grant Holt, Marc Tierney and Ben Davies.

"I was talking to some of the players about this the other day and I think we've got strength in all positions," he said. "Anyone can come in and keep the standard high."

"Mike Jackson turned round recently when we were on the bench and said what a good, solid bench we've got."

Cansdell-Sherriff added he was proud to have been at the club longer than any other player. "I feel part of the furniture!" – and he's now chasing a new contract in the summer.

"I would like to stay here," he added. "At this level you do see players move around quite a lot, but I said when I signed the extension that I like Shrewsbury. I like the place and it's just nice to be part of something."

"That's why we want to push for that promotion."

"I think the manager's made it clear that he will make the decision at the end of the season."

"I think they have a fair idea on what they want to do, but at the same time they've got to find out what league we're going to be in and the budget from upstairs."

"The most important thing for the club right now is promotion and that's what everyone wants to focus on."

Shrewsbury Town defender Shane Cansdell-Sherriff hopes to win a new contract as well as a recall



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Town kids get chance to improve home form

TWO home games inside 48 hours offer Shrewsbury Town's youngsters the ideal chance to kickstart their Youth Alliance campaign.

Coach Peter Wilding, assistant to the club's head of youth Wayne Evans, admitted he was disappointed with last weekend's 3-0 defeat at home to Rochdale.

But Town have the chance to bounce back with two more quickfire clashes at the Shrewsbury Sports Village.

They host Walsall today (2pm) before welcoming Wrexham to the Sundorne venue on Saturday (11am).

Town were a goal down at the break to Rochdale last time out and conceded twice more in the second half as the team from Spottland completed a comfortable win.

Wilding, Town's technical skills coach, said: "At times we can accept defeat but when only three or four players come out of the game with any credit, it's not acceptable."

"Desire and commitment largely come from within."

Wilding added defensive errors contributed to Town's defeat.

He said: "Too many times we react or anticipate too late, or over commit ourselves and find we are out of the game."

Mark Wright and sub Terry Gornell.

And in between Marvin Morgan thumped a header from a Matt Richards free kick against the bar, but it was much too little much too late.

"Late in the game I thought we might have got an equaliser," said Turner. "We put them under tremendous pressure and it didn't happen for us."

"But overall there's disappointment with the manner in which we played for most of the game."

"We lacked that edge, we lacked that sharpness and we've got to get that back."

TOWN: Neal; Grandison, Sharps, Cansdell-Sherriff; Richards; Taylor, Wroe, D. McAllister, Wright; Gornell (Morgan 86). Collins. Unused subs: Jackson, Sawyers, Smith.

Referee: Jock Waugh (Yorkshire). Attendance: 5,931

CHRONICLE STAR MEN: 1 Richards, 2 Wright, 3 Grandison.

No Devon cream yet again for Turner's men

Plymouth 1 Shrewsbury Town 0 by Stuart Dunn at Home Park

ted Shrewsbury manager Graham Turner.

"We were a little bit poor for different periods of the game and we allowed Plymouth to dictate to us too much."

The Pilgrims sealed victory thanks to a 20th minute goal which Town goalkeeper Chris Neal will want to forget as quickly as possible.

There was no obvious danger when Argyle legend Paul Wotton, making his 450th appearance for the club, whipped in a free kick from wide out on the left.

But Neal, under no pressure, inexplicably allowed the ball to escape to from his grasp as he fumbled it into his own net.

Neal would have been desperate for his team-mates to get him off the hook by coming up with the goods at the other end.

"We didn't do our jobs properly," admit-

but, apart from a late flurry when the Argyle goal lived a charmed life, Town were below their best by some distance.

Their passing game stuttered throughout and Argyle might have put the bed to bed long before Town's late onslaught.

Wotton fizzed a deflected shot just over the bar, Neal had to be alert to block from sub Juvel Tsoumou and Alex MacDonald cracked an effort from the edge of the area against the post.

With time running out, Town finally started to impose themselves on their jittery hosts who had only previously won three times in League Two at Home Park all season.

Keeper Jake Cole, having had a much quieter afternoon than he would have anticipated, made fine saves to frustrate

the visitors.

"We didn't do our jobs properly," admit-



Town's James Collins and Romain Larrieu in a battle for possession at Home Park

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One more step in national glory bid

THE dream of national glory lives on for Shrewsbury Rugby Club's talented under-17 side after they marched through to the quarter-finals of the National Bowl.

In what was likely to have been their last home game together, the Sundorne Castle teenagers dug deep to beat Loughborough 13-8 last Sunday.

They will now face either Chesterfield Panthers or Amthill in the last eight nationally, the Midlands final on April 1.

Proud coach Steve Rintoul said: "It was yet another fantastic performance by the whole squad in which we took our chances when they appeared and were very well organised in defence."

The game was won by a combination of a very strong team spirit that the lads have, and the ability to keep their concentration for the full duration of the game.

"Once again we took the field with only two substitutes available while Loughborough had their full complement of seven on the bench, which they used.

"By any standards it was a tremendous effort and a very fine win."

Loughborough took an early lead via a penalty but inside centre Tom Cookson quickly replied in kind for Shrewsbury.

Loughborough then enjoyed most of the possession, but the aggressive Shrewsbury defence pushed them back and, as the home side's confidence grew, they moved ahead when England under-17 international Colin Dickson, playing at outside centre, ghosted through two tackles to score the game's first try.

Dickson turned provider as, after he was halted, the ball was recycled and a fine passing movement saw backs and forwards linking together to put Jim McKnight, the blind side flanker, over in the corner to make it 13-3 at the break.

In the second half Loughborough threw everything at the Shrewsbury defence and the hosts had all the answers.

The Leicestershire side finally found a way through for a solo try but Shrewsbury played with real determination to ensure that's where the scoring ended.

Meanwhile, Shrewsbury's under-15s produced a brave performance as they went down 34-7 at Ledbury last weekend in the semi-finals of the North Midlands Plate.

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Leach tipped for Pears debut after flying start

JOE LEACH has the talent to make the breakthrough to First Class cricket this season, according to his Shrewsbury captain Ed Foster, writes STUART DUNN.

Leach, who remains under contract to Worcestershire, has yet to make his first team debut for the New Road club.

But Foster believes that can all change in the next few months, particularly if the 21-year-old all-rounder replicates the sparkling form he showed in his opening match of the new season.

Leach, one of the leading lights with ball and bat for Shrewsbury in recent years, is currently on a

pre-season tour to India with the Leeds-Bradford MCC Universities team.

And he started as he will hope to go on by cracking an explosive century in a one-day match against Poona CC in Pune.

Leach hammered 105 from just 66 balls to quickly show he means business this year.

"It's a great way for Joe to start the season," said Foster. "You always want to score runs early on and to begin with a such a good century is fantastic for him."

Leach should get the chance to show what he can do against professionals in this country with his

university side looking forward to three matches against first class counties, the first of them against Surrey at The Oval on March 31.

Foster is a big admirer of Leach and, while he would like him to play as often as possible for Shrewsbury, he hopes the all-rounder can push for a first team spot at Worcestershire.

He has so far been restricted to life in the second team for the Pears but Foster sees no reason why that should not change soon.

"I would like to think he can break into the Worcestershire side," said the Shrewsbury skipper. "There may be a chance for

him early in the season owing to a few injuries and I know Joe's been working really hard on his fitness over the winter."

"He came on so much for us last season, particularly with the ball and he's a very talented cricketer."

Should Leach earn a call up from Worcestershire, it could of course limit his availability to Shrewsbury, but that's a concern to Foster.

He added: "Joe's got a massive desire to play professional cricket and we try and support him as much as possible in trying to achieve that."

"We're fortunate to have at

Shrewsbury a decent squad and that allows us to cover any absences."

Joe, his brother Steve and young Ed Barnard are all striving to play professional cricket."

Foster said Leach's flying start to the season in India only added to the feelgood factor engulfing the club following the news, revealed exclusively in last week's Chronicle, that Nottinghamshire and England batsman Jimmy Taylor will be Shrewsbury's contracted player this season.

"Everyone's very keen, we have got a good young side, and we're all looking forward to it," said Foster.

WROE FIRED UP TO HELP TOWN FIGHT



Shrewsbury Town midfielder Nicky Wroe, who scored during the impressive 2-0 win over Cheltenham, is closed down by Luke Summerfield. Picture: Matthew Ashton

Oscar nominated for starring role

OSCAR Shanagher makes an eagerly awaited return for relegated Shrewsbury when they chase only a second win of the season in rugby's Midlands Two West (North) at Aston Old Edwardians on Saturday.

Shanagher was a consistent try scorer for the Sundorne Castle men last season and

recently returned to the area after a spell living in London.

"Oscar's a talented lad and it's great to have him back," said Shrewsbury captain Simon Evans.

Shanagher, 1st XV: A Prodduto, N Challinor, R Sankey, C Embrey, L Mill, S Evans, D Harrison, J Plant, M Pryce, M Morris, O Shanagher, T Dickson, A Haycock, A Jebb, H Maybury.

BACK in favour Nicky Wroe has vowed to do all he can to stay in promotion chasing Shrewsbury Town's team as he targets an upturn in the club's away fortunes.

After eight games on the bench, Wroe enjoyed an impressive return to the side for Tuesday night's crunch 2-0 home win over fellow high fliers Cheltenham.

The 26-year-old fired Town in front inside the opening minute with his sixth goal of the season and went on to give a commanding display in midfield.

Now Wroe is in no mood to relinquish his place in the team as the exciting League Two promotion race ruts up.

Town are currently third with nine games to go with Saturday's trip to mid-table Morecambe followed by a local derby clash at home to Port Vale on Tuesday (7.45pm).

"I've had a frustrating start to this year," said Wroe, a regular in the early months of the season. "I got injured at Bradford on New Year's Eve and then managed to get a start at Torquay last month but things didn't quite go to plan."

"I've had to wait patiently and I've been knocking on the door for a while."

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"Thankfully the gaffer chose to pick me on Tuesday and I managed to repay his faith in me by getting a goal and getting a good win."

"It's been frustrating but hopefully I can keep my place now for the last nine, the run in, and hopefully we can stay where we are now and make our way a bit further up the table."

"There's nothing worse than not playing. It's really frustrating as that's what you train for all week, to play on a Saturday and Tuesday."

"The way to stay in the team is to score goals and do well, and hopefully I think I did that against Cheltenham."

Wroe felt the key to the

midweek win over the Robins was Town's flying start as they attacked from the first whistle with his goal the ideal early boost.

He said: "We emphasised that the last few games we've not started too well so we wanted to get off to a good start and we did that."

"We knew it was a big game and that Cheltenham are a good side, probably one of the best we've played, especially away from home."

"We needed to get a good start and impose ourselves on the game and luckily you can't get any better than what we did really."

"I made a good break, just ran on to it, and luckily the ball's found its way to me and I managed to stick it away."

While Town continue to go great guns at home - it's now 27 matches unbeaten at the Greenhous Meadow - they continue to stutter on their travels.

They have suffered nine away league defeats, more than any of the other promotion chasers, and that's a record Wroe is keen to improve ahead of this week-

end's trip to the Lancashire coast.

"We've talked about it and we really need to address the away form," insisted Wroe. "There's no reason why we can't play just as well away from home."

"I don't think with any team in this league we've got much to fear, especially if we're on our game. We just need to concentrate on ourselves and play like we did against Cheltenham."

Wroe scored a penalty when Town beat Morecambe 2-0 at home in November and he would gladly settle for a repeat on the club's second visit to the Globe Arena where they lost 1-0 last season.

Manager Graham Turner was also quick to stress the importance of Town replicating their excellent home form on the road.

He added: "The concern for us is while our home form has been outstanding and home results have been excellent, it's away from home that we have to start putting it right."

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Shelton do it for the kids

SHELTON Cricket Club are planning to launch a new under-11 squad in time for the new season.

The Shrewsbury-based outfit, members of the newly-formed Shropshire County Cricket League, will be offering coaching from qualified coaches.

Shelton stalwart Jan Griffiths said: "All of our coaching staff have been CRB checked and we have recently been awarded Clubmark by the ECB."

"We are looking for boys and girls who are under 11 on 31 August 2012, those in years five and six who want to learn and play cricket."

Anyone interested should attend a signing at the club's ground on Monday, April 2 from 6.30pm. There is 10 weeks of coaching on offer plus a full league fixture list. The cost will be £50.

For more details, call Jan Griffiths on 01743 355 208. She added if you are unable to come along on April 2 then get in touch for a membership form, as the club will have restricted numbers.

Sunday cup semis draw

INSTONES United, the Shrewsbury Sunday League champions, have been paired against Wem Sunday in the semi-finals of the Shropshire Sunday Premier Cup.

The sides will play at a neutral venue on Sunday, April 1 for the right to progress to the final at Shrewsbury Town's Greenhous Meadow.

The other semi is between Plough Inn Wellington and Oak Inn Randlay.

Alport lose by one goal

WHITCHURCH ALPORT saw their dream of winning the Shropshire County Cup end with a goal in the first-half from Karl Griffiths.

Griffiths' 29th minute strike allowed Bridgnorth to scrape past Cheshire League Alport 1-0 in the first semi-final at the Shrewsbury Sports Village on Tuesday.

Ellesmere Rangers faced Morda in the second semi.

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